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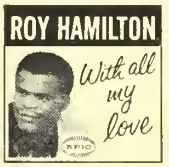

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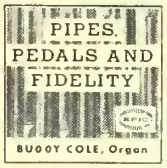

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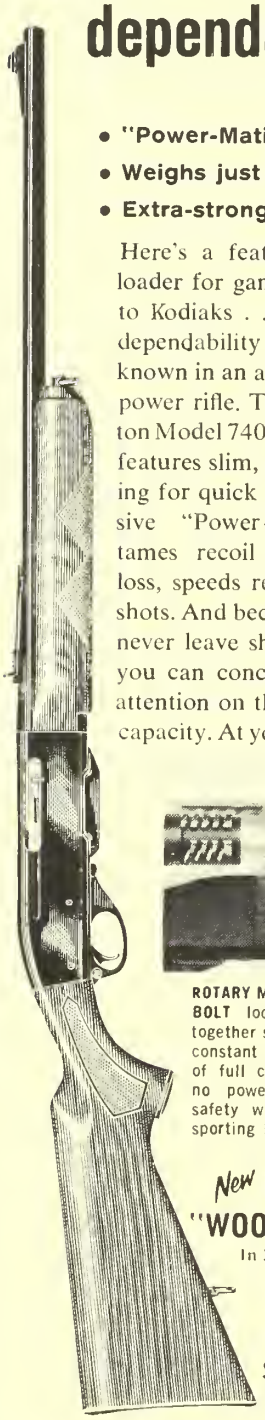

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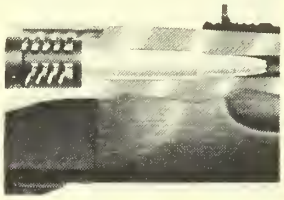

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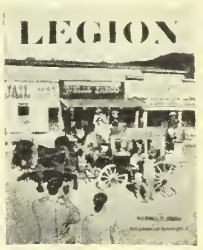

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How I Turned $1,000 into a Million

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AN AMAZING STORY THAT MAY CHANGE YOUR LIFE

by William Nickerson

PERHAPS the hardest thing about making a million dollars — or even $200,000 — is the act of believing it to be possible. This may be the stumbling block which will keep you from seizing upon the extraordinary opportunity presented here.

Out of every thousand people who read this page, perhaps only 10 will be able to overcome their ingrained skepticism enough to send away for more information. And out of those ten, perhaps only one or two will exploit this opportunity to the hilt. But those fortunate few may enjoy the kind of financial success that millions dream of but only a few achieve.

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From "Scratch" to $500,000 by 42

Starting with only the $1000 cash equity in my home, I pyramided this modest asset into $500,000 by the time I was 42 — all in my spare time. I retired at 42 to concentrate on my investments — with considerable time for gardening, swimming in our backyard pool, hunting, fishing, and traveling.

Many friends turned to me for advice on how they could follow me up the road to fortune. Finally I decided to write a unique guidebook, in which I would share my money-making secrets.

But editors who read my first manuscript told me: "Ah, but your success depended on starting during the depression. It could never happen again!"

Another $500,000 in Only 2 Years

This led me to study *other* men's money-making experiences, and *current*, non-depression-period opportunities. Although I had not intended to increase my holdings, I found so many opportunities that *in 2 years I doubled my estate to over $1,000,000.*

Now my book, HOW I TURNED $1000 INTO A MILLION, is ready at last. And in it I reveal — and tell how to use — these 4 basic principles of traveling the last remaining road to great fortune still open to the average person:

1. How to harness the secret force of free enterprise — the pyramiding power of borrowed money. If you have ever experienced difficulty in arranging a personal loan (or a commercial loan to go into business) you may have the idea that banks won't lend money to the "little fellow" for the purpose of making money. But I will show you how you can get lenders to put up gladly at least three dollars for every one of yours, thereby quadrupling the earning power of your capital.

2. How to choose income-producing multiple dwellings in which to invest your own (and your borrowed) capital. If you are interested in investing in income-producing property for income alone, then you will probably get along all right without any advice from me, although even there I can give you many tips. But if you are out to *pyramid* your capital, there is a definite set of conditions to look for.

3. How to make your equity grow. A fair market value of an income-producing property is in ratio to its income. Therefore, if you increase the annual net by means of the steps I outline, you increase the market value of the property — thereby increasing your equity.

4. How to virtually eliminate the "tax bite" on your capital growth. I will show you how you can increase your net worth steadily *without* its being subject to income taxes — not even capital gains tax! J. K. Lasser's famous guide, YOUR INCOME TAX, says of this method that "the mathematics have almost unparalleled attraction."

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In 8 years, $39,363.
In 10 years, $70,548.
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In 18 years, $677,583.
In 20 years, $1,187,195.

How far you want to go up this ladder depends on how much retirement income you would like. You can *conservatively* expect to earn an average net return of 6% on your personal equity. So, if you would be satisfied with a retirement income of at least $12,000 a year, you might decide to stop when your equity reaches $200,000.

"There Must Be a Catch to It!"

Right now, it would be understandable if you were sputtering, "But — but — it's not that simple. There *must* be a catch to it!"

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EDITOR'S CORNER

"SPIRIT SHIPS"

A RECENT NEWS report from the United Nations described an alarming hallucination that has seized thousands of the natives of New Guinea. Dissatisfied with what they have got, particularly since they have learned about Western customs, food, etc., the natives have been consuming their food reserves in the belief that "spirit ships" are coming their way loaded with good things for them. Prophets of the so-called "cargo cult" have been stirring up the populace to such an extent that the people abandon their crops in hopes of getting everything their hearts desire, and getting it without cost.

We don't know why this news should be so unexpected. The natives of New Guinea have doubtless heard of the strange "cargo cult" which has its headquarters in Washington, and which dispatches fleets of "spirit ships" to all parts of the world, loaded down with free goods. The only puzzling part about all this is how our giveaway experts overlooked New Guinea.

APPLAUSE FOR FOUR

THERE SEEM to be two schools of thought concerning the treatment of Soviet emissaries who come to this country to make propaganda for the communist way of doing things. Disciples of one school feel that the traveling salesmen from the Kremlin should be accorded every possible honor — wined, dined, applauded, and given acres of publicity.

The other school goes on the sensible assumption that the roving reds are not in this country to help the cause of democracy, so why be suckers for their hypocritical grins and their lying propaganda?

When Mikoyan made his famous visit here some months back, some of our most highly placed people made saps of themselves by teaming up with notorious Russia-lovers in fawning over the wily purgemaster. However, when Kozlov started out to get some more of that precious propaganda, he met with a more restrained kind of enthusiasm. And four Americans did their country a service by putting a large crimp in Kozlov's campaign.

One was Senator Styles Bridges who, informed that someone was going to bring Kozlov to the U.S. Senate for an introduction (and applause), flatly said that if that were done he would immediately ask the red some embarrassing questions about Soviet atrocities. The plan was dropped.

Also to be commended is Mayor Louis C. Miriani of Detroit, who openly refused to pay honor to the man from Moscow. We think this action will be understood and properly appreciated by the peoples now under Soviet subjugation. We also think it is a healthy indication that not all politicians are willing to cooperate in Soviet propaganda projects, for the sake of getting some publicity for themselves.

The visiting bolshevik got another jolt in Michigan, when Gov. G. Mennen Williams talked turkey to him. It is reported that Comrade Kozlov was "glum" after this session.

Nor did Kozlov garner any laurels in his exchange with Adm. Hyman G. Rickover, while visiting the atomic power plant at Shippingport, Pa. The Russian went into his act, selling the red line on atomic power, peace, etc. but the Admiral cut him down to very small size.

Maybe these men ought to be delegated to represent the United States at future Geneva conferences, summit talks, etc. The reds may not like them but they will at least respect them.

SOMEBODY DO SOMETHING!

HARDLY A DAY goes by that doesn't bring us at least one letter demanding that the Legion do something about something. Often the writers accuse The American Legion or this magazine of being delinquent, derelict in its duty, or otherwise guilty of malfeasance, nonfeasance or misfeasance. And the writers inform us that it is high time that we did something about whatever it is that is troubling them.

A recent letter of this sort, from Detroit, accused the organization of having "gone soft" on communism. As proof, the writer said the Legion was doing nothing about the Charlie Chaplin movies now being shown, to the greater glory and the financial aggrandizement of the little man who left the United States under a cloud, taking his millions with him. Once, the writer said, we had exposed Chaplin's record of pro-communism and had discussed some of the nasty habits that marked his personal life. Why not take up the cudgels again?

What this writer and many others forget is that no organization and no publication representing an organization can be very effective if the members sit on their hands and expect the organization and the publication to carry the ball all the time. In Chaplin's case, there is hardly a Legionnaire who by now isn't well aware of the sordid record he made for himself in fields other than the artistic. Since the gentlemen from Detroit is so upset over the re-issue of the Chaplin films, we respectfully suggest that he take his turn at carrying the ball.

If he wishes, there is nothing in the world to keep him from getting together a group of his friends to call on theater managers to protest showings of Chaplin films or anything else they object to.

And the same thing applies in other fields. To those who ask, "Why doesn't the Legion do something about . . . ?" we'd like to remind them that *they* are the Legion. And they can often do things more effectively as individuals than any organization can.

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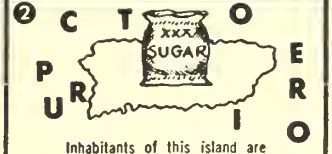

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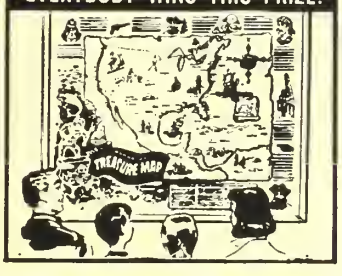

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MOST VIVID

Sir: Lawrence Sullivan's story "Hitler's Last Days" in the July issue is about the most vivid account I have seen of what happened in that bunker of retribution as the nazi empire of blood and fear collapsed. I have not read such a fast-moving, on-the-scene story in many a day. That excellent publication, *The American Legion Magazine*, is to be congratulated on rounding out the picture of the Fuehrer's ignominious end.

Glenn Tucker
Flat Rock, N. C.

WHAT ONE POST DID

Sir: Now is the time—when people are more flag conscious than they have been for many a year—for your Post to organize that super-sales promotion of American Flags. Here in Stevens Point, a city of 17,000, we sold 1550 flags to our citizens. You figure it out. If the average is five people to a house, we have a flag flying at nearly every other home in our city! The secret is bargain prices. It is more important to have Old Glory flying in your community than it is to make a few paltry dollars. We did charge a little extra to protect ourselves against financial loss, and so we made a little profit. Know what we did with it? We bought a flag for every single classroom in our school system—154 of them! A salute to the Americanism Committee of Berens-Scribner Post No. 6: Ted Hawkins, Orland Radke, and John Wozniak. You can do it too. Strike while the fervor is hot.

George F. Riley
Stevens Point, Wisc.

SEABEES AND MARINES

Sir: Maybe J. J. Gallagher, who wrote about Seabees, thinks they are forgotten. But I for one will never forget what a swell bunch of guys those Seabees are. I was with the Second Marine Raider Battalion on Bougainville. When we landed they were right behind us, on their equipment and ready for action. They started to clear out an airfield minutes after they landed. When we left the lines on Bougainville they met us and had chow ready for the whole battalion. They couldn't do enough for us and as far as I'm concerned they deserve every citation we ever got because they earned it with us. They sure deserve a lot more credit than they ever got because they were the best.

G. Motz
Fort Wayne, Ind.

SUGGESTION

Sir: How about listing movies, a few in each issue, which have reds or pinkos as actors, directors, etc. Then we could boycott such films and persuade our friends to do likewise.

John Sebold
Dunellen, N. J.

HOLIDAY FOR PROFIT

Sir: What has happened in this great country of ours to cause some of our citizens to put greed for profit ahead of the more decent aspects of life? On July 4th, one of our great holidays, can we not have a day set aside for pleasure, enjoyment and celebrating without the "business as usual" signs being displayed? I think The American Legion should come forth in protest against this practice before it is too late.

Samuel P. Armitage
Middleton, Mass.

If Legionnaires and others would stop patronizing stores which stay open on holidays, merchants would soon give up this particular form of money-grubbing. Such action by individual Legionnaires will do a lot more than any number of resolutions denouncing greedy merchants.

The Editors

VOTES FOR SOCIALISM

Sir: This morning I read in a newspaper that 55 percent of a Hollywood high school graduation class voted their preference in government as some form of socialism. The remaining 45 percent were not unanimously for a free democratic system. There were some who favored something other than free enterprise. Most of these children have been influenced by teachers, by their parents and by the American press. It appears democracy is more challenged here at home than Americans realize.

Clarence W. Farmer, O.D.
Manteca, Calif.

LETTERS ABOUT COUSINS

Sir: With deep gratitude I read "A Letter to Norman Cousins" in the June issue. With rapier-like thrust, Mr. Tinker rips the mask from the face of "Cousins' Mercy Missions." Generous Americans bitterly resent being used as suckers, especially by those whose aims seem but to stir and keep alive the embers of old hatreds. Especially revealing is the fact that Mr. Cousins abstains from such humanitarianism when it deals with the rape of Hungary or the torture of Tibet. All power to Mr. Tinker's courage in questioning the "Curious Crusades of Norman Cousins."

Robert H. Goldsmith, 3rd
Baltimore, Md.

Sir: May I add one more word to Frank A. Tinker's "A Letter to Norman Cousins?" AMEN.

Stanley Slates
Elmore, Ohio

PICKING ON IOWA

Sir: Iowa had too much peace-at-any-price pacifism in the twenties but no more than most of the other States, so why should Robert B. Pitkin mention only Iowa in his article on how The American Legion tried to prevent World War II, in your July issue? True, the mention was in a report to our national convention at San Antonio in 1928 but that report was due largely to the fact that our Iowa Department was vigorously fighting the pacifist peril at every turn. In every war and conflict in which the United States has been engaged since Iowa was admitted to the Union in 1846, the percentage of Iowans in military service, killed, wounded and decorated has been above the national average. From the birth of The American Legion, Iowa has been in the forefront in virtually all fields. Our Auxiliary has made a great record too. We have furnished many outstanding national leaders in both groups and we have won as many contests as any other department. Moreover, the facts and figures show that Iowa in business, agriculture, the professions, labor and education along with being one of the most prosperous and one of the three most healthful is among the greatest of the States. We do have some mistaken minds occasionally but in war time and overall in peace time Iowa reflects the finest and noblest in pure Americanism.

Frank Miles
Des Moines, Iowa

Mr. Pitkin says he "picked on Iowa" because Iowa Legionnaires put together the best record of the pacifist movement that helped breed WW2.

The Editors

HIGH POINT

Sir: Page 9 of the July issue, emphasizing the rights and responsibilities mentioned in the Constitution, is a high point in producing a magazine for members of an organization such as ours. This unique method of emphasizing what should be a well understood idea had a rekindling effect on me. I hope many members will take another look at it and possibly pass it on to the social studies teacher in the local high school for bulletin board use.

Name Withheld
Butler, Pa.

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The BIG FAT FLAME

We were stuck in the busy mid-Manhattan street. Behind us the traffic piled bumper to bumper, horns screeching indignantly. The colonel leaned over to our cab driver. "What's wrong?" he asked.

by Harry Mayer
As told to him by
Colonel Fred P. Dollenberg

The cabbie pointed with his cigarette to the car in front, "Look."

We did. The car ahead of us—a shiny 1959 model—had stalled and the starter clattered endlessly with that empty metallic sound that you know in advance is not going to make the motor catch. Twisting the ignition key in helpless fury, the unfortunate motorist at the same time was exchanging uncomplimentary opinions with the drivers of the vehicles snarled behind him. At length he piled out of the car, wrenched at the hood, and looked fiercely at the inert engine. To no one in particular, but as though to vindicate himself to his tormenters, he shouted: "I just know it's those damned spark plugs. Only two thousand miles and already they're shot!"

Startled, I turned to my companion. "Colonel," I demanded, "is this a plant?" He stared back at me, then he got it and he began to laugh. So did I, in a moment, and there we were in this taxicab, stalled betweeen skyscrapers and going no place, roaring as though we'd never stop.

Spark plugs! That was the joke. The colonel and I were on our way to his downtown office where I was scheduled to interview him for a magazine story. The subject—spark plugs.

You see, Col. Fred Dollenberg is the inventor and manufacturer of a device which is designed to allow automobiles to run **without** spark plugs!

Later, sitting in his top floor office, with the drapes parted to reveal the exciting lower Manhattan skyline, I got a more leisurely look at the colonel. I wondered and asked about his smashed nose,—the war maybe? —and he smiled and said no, just an opposing tackle with a very hard head. Dollenberg was an All-American mention at St. Joseph's in Philadelphia before he joined the Army Air Force as an engineer immediately after graduation. After war was declared against Japan and Germany, he saw enough action to later receive the Inquirer Hero Award as Philadelphia's most decorated flyer, succeeding a similar award to Marine hero Al (Pride of the Marines) Schmid. For a time he was personal pilot for Gen. Douglas MacArthur. Evidently there was considerable brilliance to this young fighter; he started the climb up to the brain brass, and some of the military manuals he was charged with preparing are still used by the Air Force. (Only part of this did I drag out of Dollenberg. Indeed it was a newspaper file which informed me that the colonel was a triple ace!)

It was while Dollenberg was in command of a task force of seasoned P-40 pilots that a grim incident took place which set the then Capt. Dollenberg off on his restless search for perfection. A young ace, coming in safe and sound from a mission where he had gone through murderous enemy fire, never made it to his safe hut a few hundred yards away. He nosed a bit too low—no engine power to get the plane up quickly —and the trees that lay just short of the runway caught the plane and pilot and crashed both. Dollenberg was horrified at the accident and at the paralysis of fatalism that seemed to settle on the shoulders of officers and enlisted men alike in the face of a tragedy so senseless. . . . After all, it seemed to say, it is true, isn't it, that more planes are lost through engine failure than are brought down by the Japs? You had to expect such things—and accept them. . . . But Dollenberg couldn't accept it. Not when the cause of this type of accident could be ripped out of the engine.

"Plug failure?" I asked. He nodded, shortly. "This tragedy and others, too. Too many others. Did you know that spark plugs were invented more than 40 years ago for engines whose limit was 20 miles an hour? These very same spark plugs—and that they haven't been changed an iota since? Can you imagine a 2000 horsepower motor depending for ignition on a skinny little spark that had been intended to help Grandpa toot around the square on a Sunday afternoon? Well, that's what these boys had under their P-40 hoods." The accident had started him off on his search, I supposed, and again he nodded. It hasn't been an easy journey. Apathy, defeatism – a young enthusiasm will always encounter these. I've done many success interviews, and it's a rare success that has been a joy ride. Dollenberg spent long hours off duty working on the problem of the antiquated spark plug, but when the war ended he still hadn't cracked it. Returning to a young wife and family the colonel organized a non-scheduled commercial airline and operated it for 3 million miles, even introducing gliders for the first time in commercial aviation.

"The spark plug was invented more than 40 years ago. For the last 20 years it has not been doing an adequate job. The U. S. Navy and Air Force knew this only too well. I was commissioned to replace the spark plug with a modern efficient ignition system. I succeeded — with the Lectra Fuel Igniter. *The Navy accepted it* and took the spark plugs out of their aircraft *replacing them with the prototype of our Lectra Fuel Igniter. Today this extraordinary invention is replacing spark plugs in tens of thousands of automobiles throughout the country. By 1961 every car made will carry fuel igniters not spark plugs*" . . . Col. Fred P. Dollenberg, U. S. Air Force, from a speech at the Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, January 8, 1958.

If it hadn't been for some weight-throwing on the part of one of the larger airlines which had begun to smart under the irritating competition it was getting from the Dollenberg outfit, the young man would undoubtedly have succeeded in commercial aviation and this particular story wouldn't have been written. But as it was, Dollenberg was forced out of business on the sort of technicality that somehow seems always to crop out against the small business, not the big. He had to sell.

Well, there he was — with a little money left from the debacle, a family, and a living to make for them. He turned his attention once more to the anachronism of modern engines — the spark plug. Starting again from scratch, he reviewed the problem.

"It's really quite simple," said Col. Dollenberg. "An engine provides power for a vehicle because gasoline, sprayed into the cylinder, is ignited by a spark. When ignited the gasoline burns pushing the piston down into the cylinder. The more complete the burning of the gas the more force in the cylinder. The more force, the more power. Obviously, therefore, the larger the spark the more gas ignited and burned. What we were after was a much larger spark, a big, fat flame!"

"And the conventional spark plug can't provide it?"

"No, it cannot. Every mechanic knows that."

"And the kid in the plane?"

"The P-40? What killed him was insufficient fire—a spark too skinny to ignite sufficient gas to give the engine instant power to climb up and over those trees."

"Why can't the spark plug give a fat spark?" I persisted.

The colonel spoke simply. "Because of its basic design. Every spark plug has an air gap—.025 to .035 of an inch—and the spark is no larger than the gap. No larger did I say? Only when the plugs are brand new is the spark even as large! Carbon forming immediately as the plug is put into use begins fouling, then ruining, the tip. The thin wire electrodes begin to wear away. The danger—and enormous expense—of this obsolete mechanism lies in these factors."

The answer to the spark plug was an igniter which had no airgap—which contained no wire electrodes—whose tip would not foul—which would not blow out even at the highest compressions . . . **which would never need a replacement for the life of the motor.**

Colonel Dollenberg went to Washington.

The Navy didn't accept him with open arms. The principle — fine! Let's see it work. And Dollenberg made it work. After the most exhaustive tests, he knew he was in. . . . Out went the spark plugs. The LS-702 Prototype was approved for (Continued on next page)

(Advertisement)

HOW MOTORISTS ARE SAVING $100 A YEAR

	SPARK PLUGS	LECTRA FUEL IGNITERS	SAVINGS
Cleaning, Gapping, Replacing	several times a year	never	$10 per year
Gas Consumption	600 gallons	465 gallons	$40 per year
Additional cost of premium gas	$50 a year	not a cent	$50 per year
		TOTAL SAVINGS	= $100 per year

U. S. Navy jet engine use; the Air Force followed suit.

If that had been it, it still would have made a good story — the revolutionary change that a former fighter pilot had effected in military aircraft. But that wasn't all. Dollenberg turned to the field of automobiles.

For more than 40 years the old-fashioned spark plug had been the standard gas igniter for every car made. During that time engine power had soared from less than 20 horse to more than 300. Every year the puny spark plug with its skinny little flame became less able to do its job. The new high compression engines were now burning out spark plugs in a few thousand miles of driving. In 1957 Americans paid more than 500 million dollars merely to replace worn-out spark plugs. To provide what spark plugs could not do, the big oil companies began to produce super and than super-super gas — at super prices! Not only were car owners spending a huge sum for plugs each year — they were also spending a fortune in premium gas for the privilege of keeping spark plugs in their engines. And even at that they were not getting their money's worth, as the new cars they bought very soon became sluggish ones.

If ever there was a call for a modern, efficient ignition mechanism to go with the modern automobile, this was it. Dollenberg heard the call. He marketed the LECTRA FUEL IGNITER!

There were problems. Little ones like designing the Igniter in the same size and shape as the conventional spark plug they were to replace. And big ones such as getting a small voice heard in the towering wilderness of the Detroit automobile kingdom. Dollenberg was helped by the shrewdness of fleet operators whose business depended upon efficiency and economy. Taxicabs running triple-shift around the clock installed the Fuel Igniter and reported a 10-20% increased gas mileage per car! Truck owners followed suit — and then the motorist. In less than 12 months, sales of the Lectra Fuel Igniter zoomed into the million dollar stratosphere!

I asked Dollenberg about the Lectra advertising claim that had jolted motorists all over the country. "Colonel, you've made the guarantee that LECTRA FUEL IGNITER will save a car owner $100 a year or that you will take back the igniters and refund their money. How do you arrive at that one hundred dollars figure?"

"It's based on the average of 10,000 miles of driving in one year. First there will be a saving of from $10 to $12 a year in eliminating spark-plug cleaning, gapping, and adjusting at 5,000 miles, replacement at 10,000 miles."

"Does that mean that the Fuel Igniter will need no cleaning or replacing for a whole year?"

"It means that the Fuel Igniter will never have to be cleaned or replaced! I mean that we guarantee that it will outlast the life of any car! Not only that: we are also guaranteeing that the Fuel Igniter will squeeze up to 6 — maybe 8 — more miles out of every gallon of gas purchased the first year and every year —or we will replace them free until they do. That's a saving of $40 per year. And it will do this using regular gas — economy gas—not the super gas bought at such walloping prices. That means a saving of $50 each year. And the Igniters will do this every year of the car's life—they improve with age. They never wear out!"

Ordinary plug with air gap on thin wire electrode — single short thin spark.

Fuel Igniters with surface conducted spark — the BIG FAT FLAME.

As Dollenberg talked I drew up a chart. You can see it at the top of this page.

I said to Dollenberg, "Colonel, to a person like myself — a guy who drives a car well but knows next to nothing about its mechanism—who's always felt the car runs better after it's had a wash —how will I know right away I've really got something after I've switched from spark plugs to Fuel Igniters?"

The colonel twinkled at me in sympathy. "I've always felt it a pity they don't teach mechanics to all school children. I think I know just how you feel. Anyway — very seriously — please listen to this: The first time you press the starter after you've installed the Igniters (very simple — by the way), you'll hear and feel an instant clean throb of the starter and an immediate even roar of the engine. I tell you, you'll be astonished. Even on the coldest morning you'll get a thrill, listening to your motor kicking over instantly and then settling quickly into a smooth purr. As for stalling in traffic, like that fellow did this afternoon, that won't happen to you. Stalling is almost always traceable to a faulty spark — and the Igniter will not fault. Climbing and passing? Even a big 325 horsepower car can and does falter on a hill or when it tries to pass if suddenly the spark plugs aren't burning sufficient gas. That won't happen to you. Instead you'll climb and pass more swiftly than you've ever known because you'll be burning gas, not wasting it. You've heard about the simple exhaust test? Try it. First, with the spark plugs in place, let the engine idle and stuff a ball of white absorbent cotton into the mouth of the exhaust. It will come out soaking with unused gasoline. Then try it with Igniters replacing the plugs. The cotton ball will be almost dry. The gas burned instead of escaping through the exhaust. Or here's something else. Again with spark plugs in the car go into gear — or in drive if you have an automatic transmission. Don't touch the accelerator. Now note how much the car moves forward — if at all. Then unscrew the plugs and put back the Igniters. If you stood still with spark plugs you'll move forward from 4 to 6 miles an hour with the Igniters while not touching the gas pedal! The gas that was required with spark plugs in your car merely to idle your motor without being able to move it forward, carries you forward up to six miles an hour with Igniters in the engine! One more final thing — with spark plugs a car must be looked over and adjusted several times a year. You know that from your own experience. But can you appreciate the concept of never, never having to remove or change spark plugs because you don't carry any? The concept of Fuel Igniters becoming permanent installations in your engine — for the life of your engine?

"Yet, with all this—believe it or not—I still haven't fully answered your question. . . . How you'll use more air and less gas . . . the savings on your battery . . . increased RPM . . . how carbon — the enemy of spark plugs — actually increases the efficiency of Fuel Igniters. But what I've tried to say is that the spark plug is as inferior to the Fuel Igniter as the wagon is to the modern automobile. And just as out-dated. Auto mechanics know this now. The ordinary motorist is learning about it fast."

"One last question: What about Detroit, Col. Dollenberg? Do you feel you're fighting a crusade?"

Dollenberg looked out of the window, out into the dusk of the city. There was a reflective quietness about him as he thought of his reply. Then he said: "No, we don't believe we're fighting the big spark plug manufacturers. Oh, there's bound to be a competitive fight soon because it's a matter of only a short time before these giants will all scrap their investments in the obsolete spark plug and turn to the manufacture of fuel igniters. Meanwhile — to put it quite candidly—there is, of course, that huge investment in stocks of spark plugs to liquidate and while the big fellows are attempting to unload, LECTRA will be booming along." The grin came out again as he said: "I hope they take their time about it. At the rate we're going we'll be big enough to take care of ourselves shortly."

I got up to go, convinced that Dollenberg's quiet confidence was well-founded. The product and the man were right for each other. Here's an incident which impressed me. A short time ago, LECTRA ran a mail order advertisement in the sober *New York Times*. One of the replies they got was from a gentleman in Pennsylvania who put it to LECTRA right on the line. Said the Pennsylvania man:

"I've read your ad in the *New York Times*. What I want you to do before I order a set is for you to send me a copy of that ad through the United States mails. Then if your Fuel Igniters won't come through with all those fancy promises — and if you don't send my money back if they don't perform as you say — I'll have Uncle Sam on my side while I go after you." The hard-bitten Pennsylvania man was sent the ad through the mails, all right. And he ordered a set of Fuel Igniters. LECTRA wasn't fearful that Uncle Sam would be after them. Because—and here was the kicker—Uncle is a LECTRA customer! A large U. S. Government agency, after field-testing 5,000 Fuel Igniters ordered 25,000 to replace every spark plug in a fleet of 3,000 key vehicles!

So that's the story of The Big Fat Flame. I'm leaving a little space for a message from Col. Dollenberg. Meanwhile I'm on my way outside to the garage with my set of Fuel Igniters. I can't wait to get rid of those spark plugs!

This article has been presented both as an advertisement for the Lectra Fuel Igniter and as a public service. Especially do I wish to emphasize the words **public service.** It is flattering to be imitated, it is said, but since the invention of the Lectra Fuel Igniter, there have appeared so-called "imitations" which have failed to perform as promised.

We state, flatly and sincerely, that we can back every claim that appears in Mr. Mayer's story. Please look very carefully at the table which follows. It has been prepared from the research of one of the nation's leading Consumer Surveys:

RECORD OF PERFORMANCE—LECTRA FUEL IGNITERS

NOTE—All Lectra-equipped cars in these tests used REGULAR GAS

(Compiled from Consumer Reports and Field Tests)

YEAR	Make of Car	Spark Plug Miles Per Gallon	Lectra Fuel Igniters Miles Per Gallon	Miles Increase	(Gain) Extra Miles Per Gallon
1956	Chevrolet V8	17.7	22.2	24%	4.5
1955	Nash Rambler	20.0	27.6	38%	7.6
1954	Plymouth 6	22.2	26.0	17%	3.8
1955	Ford Fairlane	14.0	21.2	50%	7.2
1957	Chrysler Windsor	16.5	21.0	20%	3.5
1954	Oldsmobile 98	15.5	18.0	14%	2.5
1957	Dodge D-500	16.0	21.5	35%	5.5
1951	Buick Super	13.0	17.0	22%	4.0
1956	Plymouth V-8	16.0	20.0	25%	4.0
1955	Oldsmobile 98 (air-conditioned)	15.0	20.9	40%	6.0

All above figures confirmed by letters and reports available from our files in New York City.

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We've taken a lot of your time in presenting our story. Now there's nothing else to say; the rest is up to our Fuel Igniter. If you want to try them (bear in mind our guarantee) they will be rushed to you as soon as we receive your order. For your convenience we are adding a coupon to the bottom of this page. If you'll fill it out and mail it I can promise you the most exciting automobile experience you've ever known.

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YOUR PERSONAL AFFAIRS

Information that can help you with everyday problems.

This fall almost 1½ million adult scholars will try to improve their skills via the mail-order route. Like classroom work, **home study is in an enormous boom** because in an increasingly educated society **alert people want that extra know-how:**

(1) To get ahead in their jobs, (2) to fill in courses they missed in college, or (3) to take up a rewarding hobby to occupy their leisure hours.

If you're thinking about this type of self-improvement, here are some broad pointers:

• When you sign up with a school, **you've entered into a contract.** Usually you can pay on the installment plan, and a reputable institution will do everything in its power to keep you from flopping; but you can't just walk out on your agreement.

• Nor will a reputable school let you enroll in subjects for which you obviously aren't qualified. For instance, if you imagine you're an atomic scientist but your mathematics don't go beyond the multiplication tables, **the school either will discourage you or steer you into something in line with your previous training.**

• Fees—which include texts and other paraphernalia—vary widely by subject matter. As a clue, **one of the top schools has a range of $70 to $300 per course.** But in any event, home study is cheaper than personal attendance.

• Each batch of material the school sends you—**maybe as much as 50 pages**—should keep you occupied for a couple of weeks. When you're well along in it, another batch will arrive. **It normally takes you upwards of a year to complete a course.**

• **You can study at your own pace,** but a good school won't let you be slipshod or shirk. **Written work is part of the course.** This will show the school—and you—how you are getting on.

• Home study takes a lot of **willpower.** To get anywhere, **you have to put in at least five hours of study per week** (twice that is advisable).

• When you have completed a course successfully, **you get a document attesting to it.** Generally speaking, these certificates are a mark of your proficiency in a subject rather than an academic badge.

[• Since there are several hundred correspondence schools in the U. S. A., **you have plenty of choice.** In checking up on them, you may want to speak to your employer first about his recommendations. You can also write the National Home Study Council, 1420 New York Ave. NW., Washington 5, D. C., for a list of schools accredited by it.]

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Changes in speed laws are going into effect in many areas of the nation. Most of the revisions are on the **up side.**

Traffic engineers say that speed limits should be set to fit individual highways. They reason that it's the **difference in pace** between cars that causes much of the trouble. So they advocate limits **adjusted to the speeds at which 85 percent of motorists travel** on each major thoroughfare.

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One item that's definitely going to cost the members of your family considerably more this fall is shoes. And that, in turn, is prompting shoe manufacturers to hunt for synthetics acceptable to the public.

Behind the coming price hikes is the **steeply rising cost of hides.** [This doesn't affect the soles you walk on very much, because they're mostly synthetic nowadays anyhow. But consumers **prefer leather tops,** don't care much for the plastic and canvas substitutes tried thus far.] Result: price increases of 10 percent or more.

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SLIPPERY SUBJECT: S. C. Johnson & Son, big wax and cleanser maker, is launching a drive to **counter advertised claims that today's new cars don't need waxing.** The finishes are better all right, concedes Johnson, but they still will show drabness unless cleaned and polished.

MARRIAGE AGE: Your grandmother probably was 22 when she married your grandfather who was 26. Today, says the Population Reference Bureau, **the figures have dropped to 20 and 23.** ***—By Edgar A. Grunwald***

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WASHINGTON PRO & CON

PRESENTING BOTH SIDES OF BIG ISSUES FACING THE NATION

THIS MONTH'S SUBJECT: **Should The 22d Amendment Be Repealed?**

(PRO) Yes, the 22d amendment should be repealed, if for no other reason than that it places restrictions on the rights of the people. I do not believe in any law that has as its foundation the theory that in a democracy the people should be protected from themselves.

The question of Presidential tenure has been continuously debated since the Constitutional Convention of 1787. While it is well known that George Washington refused a third term, it has not been said often enough that his refusal was dictated by personal reasons. In fact, Washington said: "I can see no propriety in precluding ourselves from the service of any man who on some great emergency shall be universally most capable of serving the public."

It is an open secret that the enabling legislation which paved the way for the 22d amendment was passed by a Republican Congress in 1947 as a reaction to the fourth term of Franklin D. Roosevelt. Like most emotional legislation, it could not long stand the test of time.

My Senate colleagues who opposed this amendment in the past have very properly asked: "How can we assume to speak for the generations to come?" There may be a future crisis in which the American people in their wisdom will want to continue a President beyond the second term, be he Republican or Democrat. What we have done by enacting the 22d amendment is to say that American voters have not sufficient intelligence or proper judgment to know their own minds. Bind our Presidents with a no-third-term "tradition," but do not place the voter in a straitjacket.

Since the President is the servant of the people, it is only right that the people should have the free choice every four years to determine whether he should continue in office or be replaced. If the people freely exercise their franchise, there should be no danger to democracy.

In our complex 20th century, when individual freedom is threatened from every side, we should, in my opinion, rededicate ourselves to the cause of freedom and reassert our faith in the individual. The whole strength of our democratic government is in the will of the people.

Since the time of our Founding Fathers we have not been fearful of placing the main strength of our country in the hands of the people. I am not afraid to trust them now. I believe that the voters should not be inhibited by the oppressive implications of the 22d amendment.

Howard W. Cannon

Howard W. Cannon (D)
U. S. Senator from Nevada

(CON) Senate Joint Resolution 11, proposing an amendment to the Constitution to repeal the 22d article of amendment, was presented to the Senate on January 14 this year. This amendment would repeal the amendment which limits the President of the United States to two terms of office.

The 22d amendment was passed by Congress in 1947. Three-fourths of the States ratified the proposal by 1951, and it thus became law.

In the 170 years of constitutional government in the United States, there have been only 22 amendments to the Constitution.

A constitutional amendment is not to be entered into lightly. Not only must Congress give its consent to an amendment, but for that amendment to become law, three-fourths of the States must also ratify it. This procedure takes not days, not months, but in the majority of cases years.

There is good reason for this careful, time-consuming, and all-inclusive procedure. It is to give not only Congress but the people, through their State legislatures, a voice in amending the Constitution.

Since an amendment is not to be entered into lightly, neither should its repeal be a capricious act, done on the spur of the moment through some fallacious arguments or because of some political climate.

Arguments have been made that by limiting the President to two terms, the American people lose their freedom of action to re-elect a man of their choice. Such argument smacks of the "indispensable man" idea. I am convinced there is no indispensable man, nor do I believe the majority of Americans think so.

Other arguments have been advanced that a President limited to two terms becomes a lame-duck President. Since all but one President served but one or two terms, that argument falls by its own weight. The power of the Presidency does not diminish because a President is limited to but one term of four years at a time. If we were to carry through the thought, then each President should be elected for life, since any limitation of time on the office would diminish his powers. Such a thought is repugnant to all Americans, for it either leads to dictatorship or to setting up a rule by divine right with a succession from father to son. It is against such that our Founding Fathers fought the Revolution and gave us a Constitution which has prevailed against all onslaughts for 170 years.

Styles Bridges

Styles Bridges (R)
U. S. Senator from New Hampshire

GUIDEPOST FOR FUTURE EXPLORERS

Long before we built the launching pad for missiles at Cape Canaveral, scientists developed the strange device shown above whose function is to portray the universe.

It is the Zeiss astronomical projector used in the American Museum-Hayden Planetarium in New York City, and its presentations of what can be found in outer space are witnessed by more than 600,000 people a year.

The program is frequently changed, but in this case what is being portrayed is a view of the surface of the planet Venus. Around the horizon can be seen a cloak of clouds of the type that perpetually cover the planet. The control panel for the projector appears in the foreground. For those interested in photography, this picture was made virtually without light, with a 4-minute exposure on ultra-fast film.

Photo by Donato Leo

By GEORGE JOHNSON

LONE BOMBER OF RABAUL

Lt. Cook.

The incredible story of a young lieutenant who conducted a one-man bombing mission.

THE LONE B-25 slid down the cloudy New Guinea night, throttles back, props windmilling. South of the few careless lights left on in Rabaul, the 25's pilot sighted the runways of Lakunai airdrome, the primary target.

Rabaul. Major Jap base blocking the road back to the Philippines. Harbor full of shipping. Airfields full of planes. Hills studded with antiaircraft. Rabaul had to be hit, starting tonight.

Twisting awkwardly in his Mae West, the pilot hunted friendly aircraft. Where was the rest of the squadron? Had they been in already? Were the Japs alerted below, waiting for him to expose his position?

He needed surprise to get away with this.

He checked his altimeter. "Can't make it!" he muttered. His glide path was too steep. To make Lakunai he'd have to open his throttles — and reveal himself.

Men arrived for the other planes, but none came to "Beautiful Girl."

He pressed his face against the left window, and made out Keravat airdrome passing underneath. He tugged gently on the wheel, flattening his glide. It'd have to be Keravat instead. He racked the 25 on its left wing, made a 180-degree turn and came back, throttles still off, still diving.

He flipped a switch and the bomb doors whined open behind him. He pulled the trouble light out of the instrument panel and stuffed it under his safety belt. He was sweating. His A-2 jacket was too much clothing down here on the deck.

Everything must go right, he told himself. *Don't let human error wreck your theory.*

January 4, 1944, started like any other rear-area day for the 390th Bombardment Squadron (M), 13th Air Force, resting and retraining in the Russell Islands. Out of the mosquito nets and into T-shirts, khakis, and GI shoes. Out into the humid morning and into the mess hall for powdered breakfast. Then to the bulletin board to read the official routine orders for the day.

No formation, no gunnery, no nothing for 2d Lt. Jim Cook of Williamsburg, Iowa, 9 months and 16 missions out of flying school — 18 months out of the University of Iowa.

Good. Maybe there was an officer on that ship offshore who'd like a free ride in a 25 in exchange for fresh food.

Cook stopped by Operations.

"Hey, lieutenant," a clerk said, "the colonel needs a crew for a briefing run to Stirling. Wanna go?"

"Why not?"

It was something to do. And nothing to sweat out, except the colonel's takeoff. The colonel flew War II aircraft at War I speeds, and headed for heaven as if everyone had his own wings in case the 25 lost hers.

After the takeoff it was a milk run to Stirling, where the 75th Group CO was waiting with a jeep. Driving them to the tent area, he said: "Johnson's squadron is short a copilot for tonight's strike."

The colonel turned in the front seat of the jeep and glanced at Cook.

"Mind going along?"

"No, sir. One more mission to the string."

"Right," said the CO. "Briefing will

Was it just his imagination or ▶ were those two walls closing in?

More searchlights flashed on, waiting to pin him in their glare for the coastal guns as he came out.

be at precisely 0100 hours."

"Got your revetment area completed?" the colonel said.

"Yes, sir."

"Good. Want no repetitions of the other night. How many 25's did they get on the ground?"

"Nine destroyed."

"Still under night attack?"

"Regularly."

"Just so the aircraft are dispersed."

Night came hot and humid. Cook crawled into a sack under a net for some rest. Sirens routed him out of the tent and into the nearest foxhole. Jap bombs filled the air with debris, and American guns filled it with racket. He went back to the sack in no mood for sleep.

He crawled out again after midnight, collected his gear and went for some coffee before briefing. At briefing, the colonel delivered his message about the importance of Rabaul; and Major Johnson, the mission leader, followed with the detailed briefing. Four elements, three ships to an element. Climb on course and attack from the west. "We will observe strict, repeat strict, radio silence. There will be no fighter protection, and we will depend on the element of surprise for our safety. Start engines at 0220 hours; first ship rolls at 0230 hours."

Cook saw none of his adopted crew, but didn't particularly look for them. He had breakfast and caught a ready truck out to the planes. He hopped off at *Beautiful Girl*.

No one else there yet. Might as well start getting her ready. He piled his gear on the flight deck and went to the bomb bay. He pulled the pins on the 36 parafrags, sweating and tearing his fingers. He climbed out and pulled the props through, struggling and sweating more. Where the hell was the rest of the crew?

He climbed into the plane again; strapped on his shoulder holster and his Mae West; and sat in the pilot's seat, watching the trucks bring the latecomers. It was silly to have so many men on each plane. What did a 25 need with six men — seven if you carried a navigator? Think how many fewer lives they'd risk if they cut the crew in half and doubled up on the jobs.

He started filling in the form.

Where was the crew? Some of them should be here by now. Could they all be on the last truck? He looked at his watch: 0220 hours. Nearby a starter whined; a prop turned; an engine coughed smoke and roared. The last ready truck came. Men jumped off and ran to their planes. No one ran to *Beautiful Girl*.

"May need her for a spare," Cook told himself. "Let's crank her up." Deep in his mind an idea began to form.

He started the engines and went to the engineer's panel to flip on the generator switches. Rearrange the engineer's panel where the pilot could see and reach it, and one man could do those two jobs.

Ships S-ed past *Beautiful Girl* toward the runway.

Cook leaned out the pilot's window, hunting a truck coming his way. If one man flew a 25 on a mission, wouldn't that prove they didn't need six-man crews?

Hand on the parking brake, he counted 10 25's passing by. As the 11th

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PASSPORTS

By JOHN W. HANES, JR.
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I DON'T KNOW exactly how many members the Communist Party of the United States now has. The estimates run from 10,000 to 20,000. But whatever the number, each and every party member as of today can obtain a passport from the Department of State. The exceptions are those rare instances in which the applicant happens to be ineligible for some other reason, such as being a fugitive from justice.

Since this dangerous loophole in our laws was shown to be open last year, many notorious American supporters of the communist movement have traveled abroad to campaign against us on the world battlefield. Their names and their activities are matters of public record.

What do they do when they get abroad, these "Americans" now happily traveling on their U. S. passports? Let James Jackson, secretary of the National Committee of the Communist Party, U.S.A., give part of the answer in his own words. He went to Moscow this past February and there addressed the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. According to Radio Moscow, Jackson said: "Communists the world over will welcome the ideological contributions and profound insight in Comrade Khrushchev's report for the solution of a number of problems of the struggle for peace, democracy, national freedom, and socialism. . . . We are building our party in the firm principles of Marxism and Leninism. . . . On the occasion of the 21st Congress, the Communist Party of the United States extends its warmest fraternal greetings to the great CPSU which, boldly applying and developing the principles of Marxism-Leninism, is leading the Soviet people to ever new socialist accomplishments and onward to communism."

At present we are forced to issue passports to people such as these—passports which not only permit, but greatly aid, their travel to and in foreign countries. Their passport clothes them abroad with all the dignity and protection that our Government affords U. S. citizens. And yet the dedicated purpose in life of every communist is to destroy our Government and our freedom.

Surely this situation is a perversion of the liberty which our Constitution and our laws are meant to guarantee us.

Our own Government has long recognized how important American passports are to the communist conspiracy. The communist underground has for years maintained workshops devoted to the wholesale forgery and falsification of passports and other documents. However, genuine American passports were particularly prized at intelligence headquarters in Moscow, according to a former chief of Soviet intelligence in Europe.

Earl Browder

Alger Hiss

Harry Bridges

During the Spanish Civil War, communist leaders assiduously collected the passports of the several thousand Americans in the International Brigade, and the bulk of these passports eventually found their way to Moscow for alteration and possible use by Soviet agents. In fact, so many American passports were collected from this source that, as a countermeasure, the U. S. had to replace every outstanding passport in the world with a new document.

In 1949, 11 members of the National Board of the Communist Party, U. S. A., were convicted of conspiring to advocate the overthrow of the U. S. Government by force or violence. In 1950 American communists were actively supporting the enemy position in the

◄ Most American tourists, like those shown in this busy passport office in New York, are a credit to the country.

to TROUBLE

We know that many people now going abroad

are up to no good, but they cannot be stopped.

Supreme Court, 5-4, Voids Passport Denials to Reds

By ANTHONY LEWIS
Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, June 16—The Supreme Court today overturned State Department regulations denying passports to suspected Communists and others of allegedly doubtful loyalty. The vote was 5 to 4.

In June 1958, in the Kent-Briehl and Dayton cases, the United States Supreme Court by a majority of five to four decided that the Secretary of State cannot refuse a passport to a communist, even when he has specifically found that applicant is going abroad to engage willfully and knowingly in activities which would advance the communist movement.

The Court made these decisions because the Congress has not passed legislation specifically giving the Secretary the right to deny passports on these grounds. Contrary to popular belief, the Supreme Court did not hold that it was unconstitutional to deny a passport to a communist.

In its spring meeting this year the National Executive Committee of The American Legion endorsed a resolution urging that Congress enact legislation which would grant the Secretary of State the power he now lacks to curb harmful travel of U. S. communists.

PASSPORTS ARE BEING GRANTED EVEN TO SUCH AS THESE

Paul Robeson

Alexander Trachtenberg

James E. Jackson, Jr.

Henry Willcox

Anna Louise Strong

Maurice Halperin

Rockwell Kent

Korean War. Congress, recognizing these dangers. passed the Internal Security Act and found that: ". . . . travel of Communist members, representatives. and agents from country to country facilitates communication and is a prerequisite for the carrying on of activities to further the purposes of the Communist movement."

Congress also said that Americans who participate knowingly in the world communist movement ". . . in effect transfer their allegiance to the foreign country in which is vested the direction and control of the world Communist movement."

Yet allegiance is the touchstone of the right to a passport.

The Secretary of State, charged by law with the issuing of passports, could hardly have ignored these congressional findings. In 1952 Secretary Acheson issued regulations establishing the criteria for refusing passports to communists and communist supporters.

The publication of these regulations triggered a violent attack by the communists through their press and through the courts, utilizing every device of law and procedure. Their clever campaign gained respectability because many sincere persons who have no sympathy whatever with communism became disturbed by the argument that the regulations permitted the Secretary of State arbitrarily to restrict a citizen's rights. These were the regulations which in 1958 the Supreme Court struck down by finding that they had not been specifically authorized by Congress.

I think it might be well to put into perspective exactly how these regulations operated and what their practical effects were. To do so, I should like to present some statistics on the numbers of communist supporters who were refused passports under them and the number of Americans who received passports. For the 2 calendar years preceding the Supreme Court's decision (1956 and 1957) 1,145,000 passports were issued or renewed. During that same period the Passport Office limited the passport privilege of 51 persons because of communist grounds. Every one of those persons had access to an elaborate and impartial appeal mechanism, and many of them utilized it. From the time this mechanism was set up in 1952 until the Supreme Court's decision in June 1958, the Secretary of State – and it must be the Secretary personally – refused passports to only 15 persons on communist grounds after full hearings. A number were granted passports after hearings;

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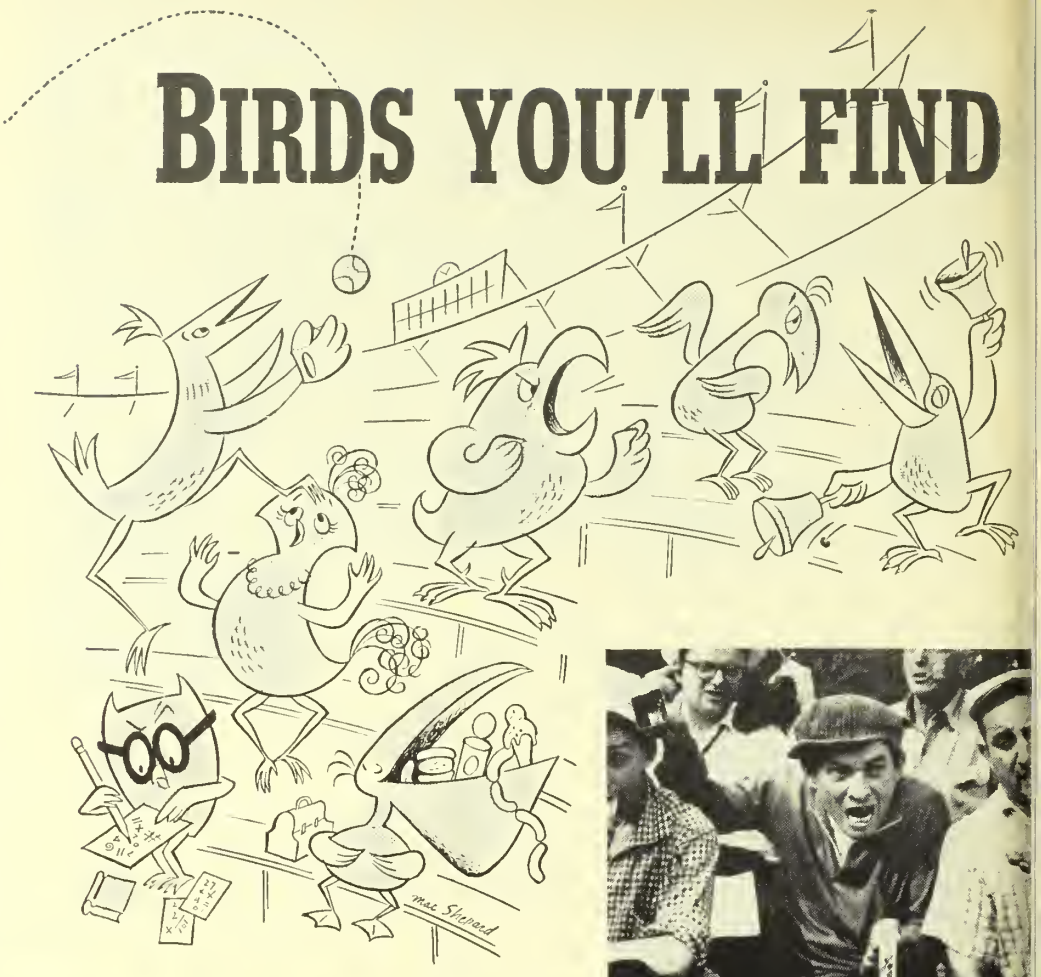
BIRDS YOU'LL FIND

By LARRY SIEGEL



I'M SURE THAT many of you will agree with me that next to counting the grains of sand on a beach, nothing can be duller than bird watching.

However, some phases of bird watching can be fascinating. Providing you know what kinds of birds to look for.

Every year from April to October a rare and colorful species flutters around this country. Its members have very unusual behavior patterns, and I call this species the Baseball Fan Bird.

The nation's millions of Baseball Fan Birds don't confine themselves to any one city or locale. They can be found in the general vicinity of Baseball parks or TV sets everywhere.

And so if everyone in the class will pick up a pair of binoculars and a Baseball Fan Bird scorecard (you can't tell the Fan Birds without a scorecard), we will take a little walk and see if we can locate some of these creatures.

Well, we are in luck. Look over there, class, on that line outside the bleachers. You see that fellow? The bird in the undershirt with a crazy hat on his head, holding cowbells in one hand and firecrackers in the other. That's an honest-to-goodness BARBARIAN.

This bird arrives at ball parks at 6 in the morning, except for the All-Star Game and the World's Series. Then he arrives at 2 in the afternoon — 3 weeks before the day of the game.

You've often seen his picture in the newspapers; he's usually shown frying fish over a charcoal stove and grinning insanely from the tent he pitches against the bleacher gate.

He rarely attends games in his hometown, but insists on traveling around the country for his baseball — usually in a 1928 Ford. Although he's lived in Brooklyn all his life, he never set foot in Ebbets Field. However, every time the Dodgers played in St. Louis or Chicago, he was there. Since the Dodgers have moved permanently to Los Angeles, he hasn't missed a game in 2 years.

This is a Retriever, junior grade. He comes loaded with equipment and hope.

This genuine Oldtimer will tell you the game isn't what it used to be.

He sits in the bleachers screaming, shrieking, clanging a cowbell, whistling, and setting off firecrackers. He always leads the chorus of *Three Blind Mice* when the umpires come onto the field. He starts the long "Oooooooooooh!" whenever a foul ball rolls down the screen in back of home plate. He begins the rhythmic applause when his team is starting to rally (e.g., when they're 13 runs behind with two out in the ninth inning and a batter draws a base on balls). And he's always the first guy to holler, "Balk!" whenever a pitcher wipes perspiration from his forehead with his pitching arm.

Here is an honest-to-goodness Barbarian. Subtlety is not his forte.

His primary occupation, however, is keeping a lookout for the TV cameras. Once the camera is pointing within 50 yards of him, he leaps to his feet and begins waving wildly and shouting greetings to his Uncle George. His Uncle George, by the way, lives in Santa Fe, New Mexico, hates baseball, and doesn't own a TV set.

He constantly screams advice to everyone on the field, and is of invaluable aid to the umpires.

"Whaddaya mean, a ball!" he yells at the man in blue. "You blind, or somethin'? Didn't you see that one? It was an inch over the outside corner."

The umpires deeply respect his judgment. They are, after all, inconveniently located over the catcher's shoulder, while he has a perfect vantage point 496 feet away in the bleachers — behind a post.

All right, class, time to move on. Hmm, what have we here? Why, of

PHOTOS BY BENN MITCHELL

IN BASEBALL PARKS

Sometimes the fowl balls you find in the stands are more interesting than the game.

The Exhibitionist can be seen, and heard, in every ball park.

course — a SOPHISTICATE. You can always spot him. He's a direct opposite of the BARBARIAN. He is immaculately attired and has the appearance of a successful business executive — which he is. Actually he detests the element that he meets at all ball parks, but he rationalizes it away. He is convinced that by frequenting baseball stadiums he is adding some sorely needed dignity to the National Pastime.

Unlike the BARBARIAN, this bird makes it a rule never to enter a ball park before the game has begun. In his set it is strictly bourgeois to watch batting practice. The later you come, the more sophisticated you are. Some of his friends still talk with awe about the time he

Meet the Ladybird. She likes handsome pitchers who make touchdowns.

breezed in during the bottom of the ninth inning in the seventh game of a World's Series.

Once in an unguarded moment in 1953 he came to the park 5 minutes before starting time and had to walk around the block twice to make up the necessary time.

This bird is a Statistician. He gets the entire game on paper.

Naturally he is a Yankee fan and has seen his team play 472 games. Of course they won every one of them. He wouldn't have it any other way.

The ball park attendants can spot this bird a mile away, and they literally tear each other apart to see who can be the first to sweep the dust from the left side of his box seat to the right side and pocket the dollar tip he always leaves.

During all ball games he sits stiffly in his seat never looking anywhere but at the field. He never smiles, grimaces, hisses, cheers, applauds, or gives any inkling whatsoever that he is alive.

He slipped once in his life. It happened while he was watching the only National League game he ever deigned to attend: the New York-Brooklyn playoff contest in 1951. When Bobby Thomson hit his dramatic home run, in the most exciting moment in sports history, he didn't cheer, applaud, or disgrace himself in any such similar fashion. But his eyebrows lifted one-sixteenth of an inch.

Two of his friends who attended the game with him still aren't talking to him.

Come, let's move on. We have lots more ground to cover. Oh, look. See that fat boy of 14. I do believe he is a genuine GLUTTON. Why, yes, so he is. He's not often easy to locate, since many fat boys of 14 attend ball games. But you can spot him most easily by the peanut, hotdog, candy, and soda pop vendors who swarm all over him.

This bird usually arrives at the ball park with a huge brown paper bag crammed with sandwiches, chicken legs, and a gallon of liquid. He consumes all

The Glutton is a bird who is highly prized by food vendors.

of it between the time he buys his ticket and the time he reaches the grandstand.

He then seats himself and begins exchanging coins for nourishment with the vendors. By the third inning he cleans them all out, which necessitates his getting up and making personal trips to the refreshment stands.

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GI's will remember scenes similar to this one which shows foot inspection at Fort Dix.

By DR. JOSEPH LELYVELD
Chairman, National Foot Health Council

as told to
MORTON WINTHROP

We Are Killing

The foot is a marvelous piece of machinery that we keep abusing. Then we suffer for it.

NAPOLEON IS SUPPOSED to have remarked wisely that an army travels on its stomach.

Nonesense. Figuratively or literally, any way you look at it, an army travels on its feet. Ask any GI who ever pulled on a pair of army shoes or boots. If his feet didn't feel good, he didn't either.

Napoleon should have known better. He had bad feet. Hitler had such terrible feet that some psychiatrists think they may have been a factor behind some of his atrocities. Abraham Lincoln had trouble with his feet, as did Woodrow Wilson. So do 90 percent of Americans today.

During World War II more than one-third of the men rejected for military service were rejected because of foot ailments. In fact, twice as many men were rejected for foot ailments as for any other single reason.

The statistics did not improve during the Korean War. On the contrary, in the past generation American feet have been getting worse. *We Americans are killing our feet.*

Your foot is a marvelous piece of machinery that should provide a lifetime of painless service. It is made up of 26 bones bound together with 107 ligaments and supported by 19 muscles. This complex is engineered to raise, balance, and absorb the shock of your body's weight every time you take a step.

In one respect, the foot is the strongest complex of the human body. Can you imagine a hand lifting and balancing 175 pounds 50 times a minute? On the other hand, delicate machine that the foot is, when the smallest thing goes wrong, it can affect the entire body.

Nine out of 10 adults have foot problems today. By the time they are graduated from high school, 65 percent of the boys and 85 percent of the girls do. Yet, more than 99 percent of the children born each year have perfectly normal feet. Obviously, between birth and adulthood something goes wrong somewhere along the line.

Generally, there are only two reasons for bad feet — socks and shoes.

Healthy feet result in good posture.

That doesn't mean that we shouldn't wear socks and shoes. Perhaps the Indians went barefoot or wore thin moccasins, but the Indians never had to walk on concrete sidewalks and wooden floors.

No, it is the improper choice of shoes and socks — improper size, style, and material of composition — that ruins our feet. This results in complaints that are at first comparatively minor—like corns, calluses, ingrown toenails, large joints, weak arches, or tired muscles.

These complaints would be merely annoying and uncomfortable if they were the sum of our foot problems. But these ailments have a way of extending themselves to produce aches and pains of the legs, arthritis as well as arthritic-like pains, backaches, headaches, acute general fatigue, and circulatory problems. Sometimes amputations are the end result of seemingly minor foot problems.

Let's talk about shoes. We wear shoes to protect the feet from the elements and to cushion the feet against unyielding surface. The first requisite of a shoe is that it fit. There should be the width of an adult thumb between the end of the toe and the end of the shoe to prevent possible crimping of the toes. This is extremely important for children, too. A shoe should fit snugly but not tightly around the heel and provide adequate support under the arch. Yet, the shoe should be roomy enough to permit the toes to wiggle.

Flexible soles are a must, and a leather sole has a slight advantage over a rubber sole because of its porous nature. Rubber soles tend to cut down on the airflow within the shoe and sometimes result in increased moisture within the

Our Feet

shoe. Because cloth is a better agent for moisture absorption than leather, cloth-lined shoes are preferred over leather linings.

Kid leather shoes provide the most ease and comfort, and oxford types give better support for arches and insteps than do casual shoes. Casual shoes should be treated as just that — for occasional casual wear and not as a replacement for solid, supporting shoe.

Shoes that are too pointed can cause "hammer toes" in children and adults. They may also rub the foot and produce corns which can become painful enough to cause a man unconsciously to redistribute the weight on the foot, thereby straining muscles and affecting the posture and the relationship of joints and ligaments.

Shoes should be purchased in the late afternoon. Feet swell during the day and are therefore slightly larger by that time. It is far better to wear a pair of shoes a shade too large than too small.

What about health shoes or custom-fitted and molded shoes? Doctors agree that there are no such things as health shoes. There are, though, well-designed, well-fitting shoes that a man should insist upon, and high cost for a pair of shoes need not guarantee a better design.

Heels are a major source of trouble in women's shoes. But if a man's shoe has the heel built up with leather and capped with rubber for resiliency, the wearer is on safe ground.

Although shoes are a major cause of foot ailments, and are recognized as such by most people, the unsuspected villain in the large majority of cases is hosiery. Tight socks worn by children exert about 20 pounds of pressure per square inch upon tiny bones and cause the lion's share of foot problems in children. (Wearing outgrown and hand-me-down shoes is another important factor.)

Socks are worn, basically, to protect the feet from the irritations of leather against bare skin. We also wear socks to protect the feet against bacteria, fungi, and perspiration. Perhaps you've never stopped to realize it, but shoes are the only article of clothing which cannot be laundered or cleaned. Thus the need for socks becomes very apparent. Shoes should never be worn without socks.

Socks that are too tight, such as stretchable socks, can result in real discomfort. Even in a man's foot, 20 pounds of pressure per square inch on each toe every time he takes a step is bound to result in some crimping and bending of the toes. This, too, could result in an unconscious alteration of the gait with its consequent effect upon the posture and the positioning of the bones

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The wrong decision at this point can cause foot discomfort and muscle strain.

To relieve tired feet, prop them on your desk for a while.

Frequent bathing is essential.

Get the right socks; change them often.

Wiggling the toes keeps feet happy.

CIVIL AVIATION

By LESLIE L. THOMASON

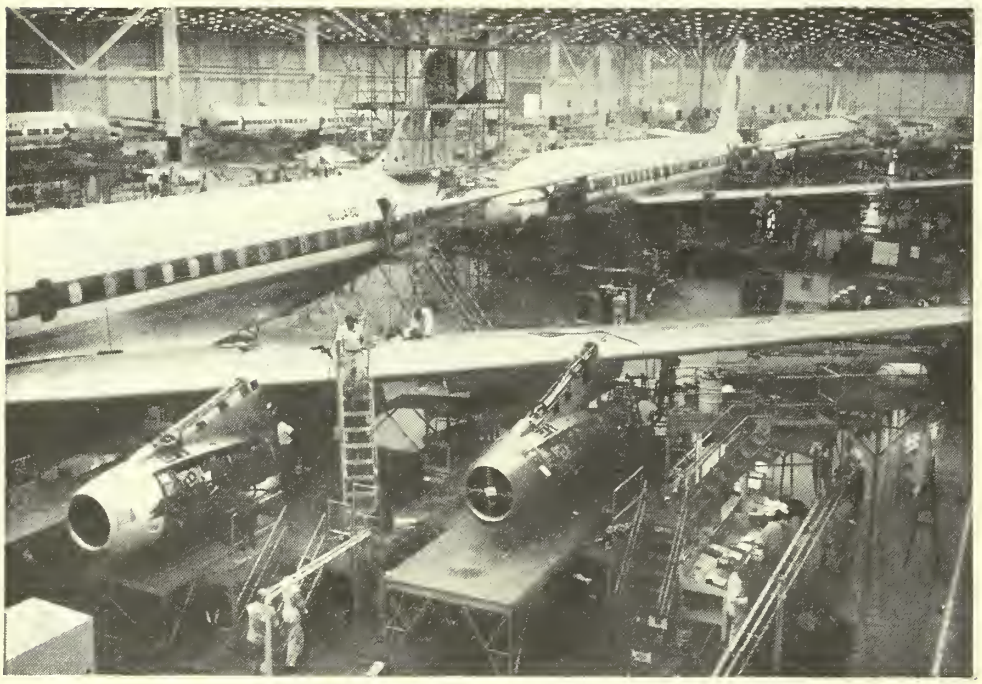
In case of war, how much help could we expect from nonmilitary aviation with its 66,900 aircraft?

NOT A SINGLE PLANE flew combat during World War II that had not been designed prior to Pearl Harbor. Probably not a single plane will get into the air during a third world war that is not actually in being as an airplane when the first bomb is dropped.

President Eisenhower has warned us that ". . . we must have an adequate force in being the day war begins. . . ."

If this be the picture, every resource must be appraised now in relation to its immediate availability and effectiveness as part of our overall system of national strength.

One of the aviation advisers to the American delegation at the 1953 Geneva talks observed that Russia, in spite of a large military force in being, all-out concentration on airpower, and production know-how, is yet weak in two respects which are vital in prosecuting a modern war. The first weakness is in knowledge of applied global navigation (a weakness which could be easily overcome), and a more important weakness is in the lack of civil aviation to augment and support operations of the military fleet.



Douglas DC-8 jet airliners being put together on an assembly line.

That the nazis recognized the need of civil airpower is shown by Goering's statement: "I envy the Allies nothing more than their financially independent, private, competitive aircraft industry."

There are three segments of American aviation. The military segment represents about 42,000 aircraft which fly some 10 million hours per year.

Commercial aviation is the second segment and consists of about 1,900 airliners which belong to 53 airlines and which fly 3⅓ million hours a year.

The third and largest segment of aviation is general aviation. This is a fleet of 65,000 aircraft, owned by individuals or by business, which flies almost 11 million hours each year. This is also the fastest growing segment of American aviation.

Before we look at the five areas in which civil airpower can be called upon to support military aviation in the event of an emergency, let us look briefly at the fabulous story of American aviation. What is it? Where did it come from? Where is it going? What can it do?

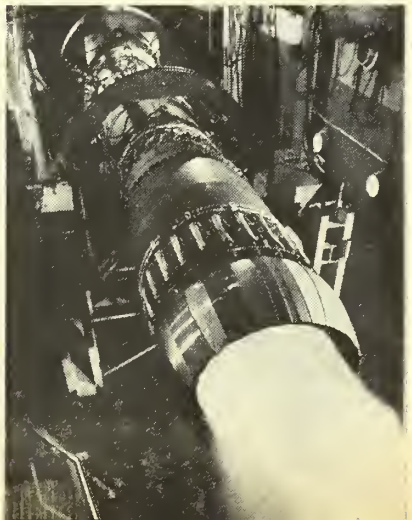
Technical change is coming at an accelerated rate. Since the bombing of Pearl Harbor we have made more progress as regards the speed with which man can move through space than we made between the time of the invention of the wheel and 1941.

Yet as recently as 1910 a spokesman for the United States Senate said: "Why all this fuss about airplanes for the Army? The Army already owns an airplane."

Today, the air arm is the main means by which the military establishment is able to exert pressure or withstand pressure in the great design of international politics in which we are so involved.

Already man has flown 126,000 feet into the air. That is approximately 25 miles straight up. Man has moved through space at 35 miles per minute without ill effects. Now we speak almost casually of the X-15, a vehicle whose speed and performance are almost in the realm of science fiction.

Testing the big Pratt & Whitney jet engines for aircraft.



and our NATIONAL DEFENSE

These men—179 of them—and their gear can be loaded aboard the Boeing 707.

All this has come from the dramatic day at Kitty Hawk 55 years ago when the Wright brothers raised the curtain on powered flight with a 12-horsepower, home-assembled engine. That first flight lasted 12 seconds; in Jan. 1957 a fleet of five B-52's went around the world nonstop. That first flight covered a distance of 120 feet—a distance which is shorter than the wing spread of a B-52.

When Calbraith P. Rodgers made the first flight across America from the Atlantic to the Pacific, it took him 59 days (Sept. 7 to Nov. 5, 1911). Today, planes used by the airlines have flown from coast to coast in less than 4 hours.

This takes on added meaning when we contemplate what constitutes effective airpower. We must have a modern and effective military force in being the day war starts, effective in strategic and tactical areas and capable of providing air transport and air defense. To this, we must add a second element—a civil reserve airpower providing support in five basic fields.

First, there is the fleet itself: commercial and utility aircraft designed to do specific jobs. The CRAF Program is already in effect. Under the Civil Reserve Air Fleet Program, specific airliners have been earmarked for immediate transfer to military use, along with crews and maintenance support. Originally, the number of planes so designated was 314 first-line, 4-engine planes, representing an investment of $550 million. If the Government owned and operated this standby fleet, it would cost the taxpayers more than $300 million a year just to maintain and keep that fleet in readiness. The original fleet has now been increased, and 302 jets are now being phased into the airlines. (This figure includes the jets already in operation and those on order.) These are aircraft which can carry as many as 179 men at speeds up to 550 miles per hour. Such additional jet transports alone could move 50,000 troops from the West Coast to the East Coast in less than 5 hours.

Even without implementing CRAF, the military is already using the normal civilian services extensively. The Military Bureau of the Air Transport Association has established more than 60 offices at military installations under the JAMTO Program (Joint Airlines Military Traffic Office) for movement of personnel and cargo. At the present time official military travel, using regular service, accounts for more than a billion passenger miles of airline travel a year. That is enough travel to send 37,000 men around the world at the equator.

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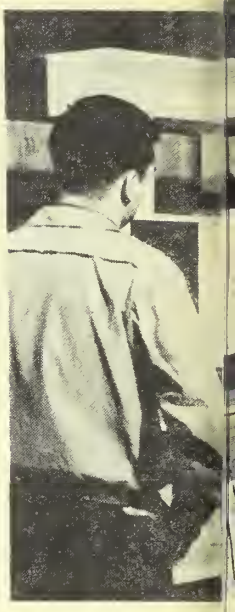
LOOK WHAT YOU CAN DO WITH UNFINISHED



You don't have to be an expert

or spend much to make it look attractive.

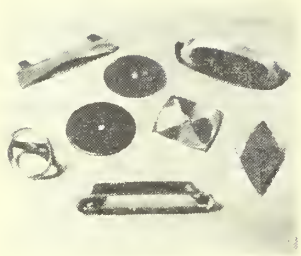
IF YOU'VE DISMISSED the big bargains that are to be had in unfinished furniture because it's cheap looking, hear this: By a few simple operations you may be able to give it the quality appearance you want, and make it *real* furniture for any room in the house. What's more, you can give it added features to improve its usefulness.

If you need a dresser, desk, bookcase, chest, table and chairs, bunks, or any kind of cabinet, buying it unpainted and unfinished is the moneysavingest way to get it. If you enjoy doing things for yourself, it's also one of the most satisfying. Building a piece of furniture from scratch is fine, *if* you have the tools, time, and know-how, not to mention patience. But for most of us, buying already-builts offers a welcome headstart. All the rough work and all the problems of measuring and fitting doors, making drawers and supporting shelves, etc., are already taken care of. Our contribution is where it counts most — in finish, style, and detailing.

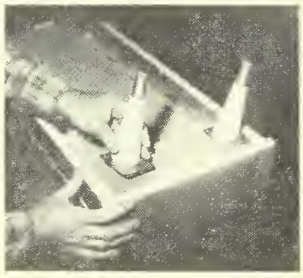
The common mistake is to give an unfinished piece a coat or two of paint and let it go at that. What it needs is the added, quality touch that every item of good furniture has. Perhaps right now you own one or more pieces which you bought in the past as stopgap furniture. It's not too late to add those extras that can convert it to new beauty and usefulness, and bring it up to the standards of regular house furniture.

Eliminating a cheap appearance is often just a matter of hardware. Prove it to yourself. Replace the common knobs on that chest or desk with a set of handsome drawer pulls, and see the difference it makes. A wide variety of highly decorative modern knobs, such as those made by The Stanley Works, is available at any hardware store. Your local cabinetmaker or upholsterer can tell you sources for period pulls, should they be your preference.

If you have a miscellaneous collection of furniture in a room, you can coordinate all the pieces into a harmonious matching group by using identical pulls and hardware on all of them. Don't overlook the possibilities in knob backplates. These protect cabinet finish against nail-scarring and add decoration as well. They are available separately in brass, copper, aluminum, and chrome, typically in round and square shapes. You may want to improvise your own. They needn't be of metal. A tile recessed behind the knob may give the striking effect you want.

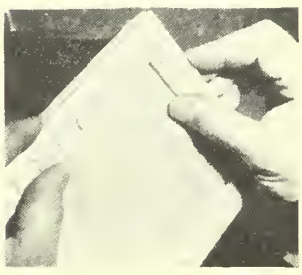


You can dress up the pieces by replacing cheap knobs with attractive hardware.



Proportions of an ugly piece can often be improved with legs.

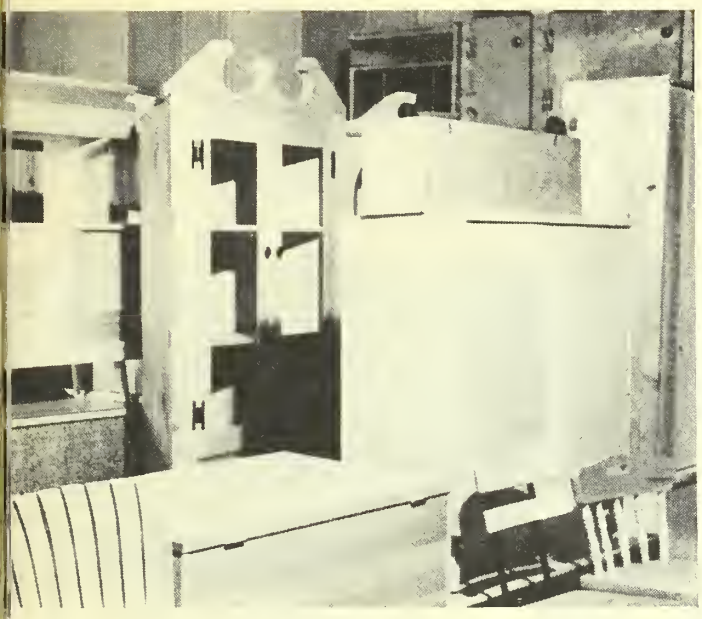
To extend cabinet to one side, support the addition with a cleat.



Here a drawer front is dressed up with a place mat held in place with molding.

Formica top is attached with quick-bonding cement. Slip sheet keeps surfaces apart till positioned.

A sliding panel of acrylite plastic can be made to fit exactly.



A door or a plywood panel with a base section attached becomes an attractive desk, and it doesn't cost much.

FURNITURE

By
DAVID X. MANNERS

Good hinges, too, may spell the difference. Replace skimpy concealed hinges on a cabinet swinging door with a continuous brass or chrome piano-style hinge, and see how that strip of bright metal proclaims "quality."

If the unit at hand has no style and is badly proportioned, you can change that too. Adding legs to a bookcase or chest that now rests on the floor can give it grace and a desirable new look. Legs are available in a variety of materials—wood, brass, chrome, and wrought iron, etc.—and a screwdriver is the only tool you need. Legs with metal ferrules are especially attractive.

Give a bookcase a custom touch by closing in one or more of its shelves with decorative sliding panels. Use these new cabinet sections for dust-free storage or for concealing items that may lack a neat, orderly appearance.

Making sliding-panel sections is easy now, thanks to new aluminum sliding-door track. Merely screw the track above and below the opening, then measure and cut the panel to size. You'll need a drill for screw holes, and a fine-tooth woodworking saw or hacksaw for cutting the track.

Among the handsomest of new panel materials available to you are those of acrylic plastic with embedments. The embedments in these ⅛-inch-thick plastic sheets may be of real cloth, leaves, ferns, bright foils and threads, even butterflies. Figured glass, pegboard, Masonite, and prefinished hardwood plywood are some of the other good panel materials. Paint opposite sides of a pegboard or Masonite panel in contrasting colors, and you can have a quick change of color scheme; for panels are easily lifted out of the track and reversed. Masonite panels are also available with a permanent baked-on plastic finish in a choice of colors and grains. They wipe clean.

You can give a touch of elegance to an unfinished piece by adding a handsome molding. You can buy genuine carved wood trim of exactly the same types used by furniture manufacturers

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Unusual fronts can be made using jigsaw cutouts in a sheet of plywood. The plywood is glued and bradded to the doors.

For additional bathroom storage, use unfinished cabinets. They can be dressed up by using molding.

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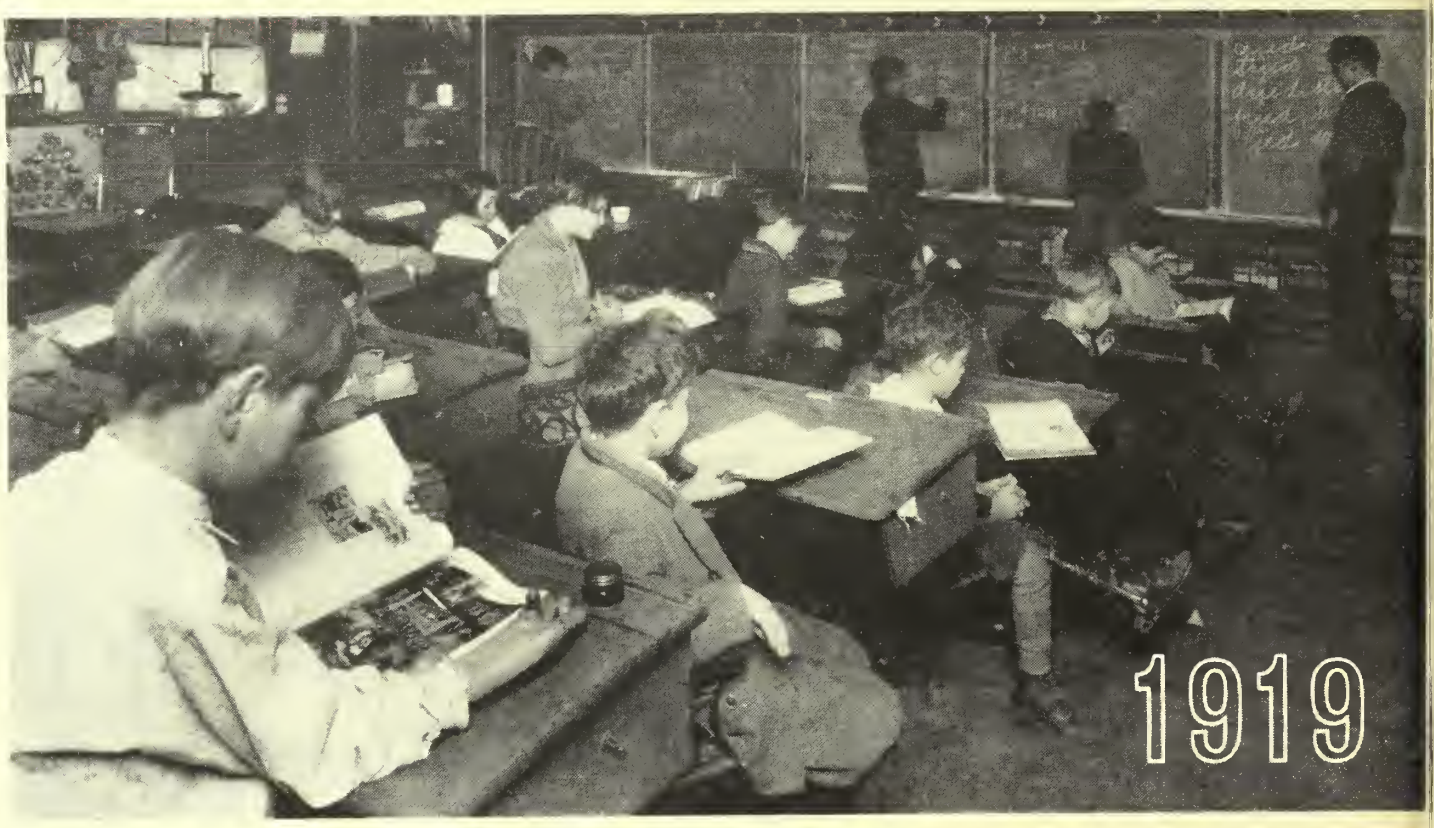
The American Legion and



THE SCHOOLS

A brief look at The American Legion's big role in education in America over forty years

By ROBERT B. PITKIN

Not long ago American Legion Post 168, St. Thomas, North Dakota, gave $5,000 to the district school at St. Thomas for the purchase of scientific equipment.

The gift represented a reaction of the Post to the Sputnik revelations regarding the relative pace of scientific learning in Russia and America.

Numerous other Legion posts responded in the same "let's act" way. Thus, in Mountain Home, Idaho, Post 26 sponsored a $500 science scholarship for a local high school graduate; Post 16, Drumright, Oklahoma, set up a similar science scholarship for $200; Post 89, Allegan, Michigan, gave science and math training aids to its senior and junior high schools.

These examples show but one side of The American Legion's long-standing interest in education and our schools.

At about the same time, Post 2 in Earlington, Kentucky, painted the interior of the Earlington grade school; Post 1366 on New York's Staten Island held a heavily attended voluntary night school for high school seniors cramming for state regents exams; Post 1, Omaha, Nebraska, set up two annual scholarships each at Creighton and Omaha universities; all the Legionnaires in Vermont established a system of yearly scholarship awards to worthy Vermont high school graduates; Post 675, San Lorenzo, California, gave new 49-star flags to 27 schools in its area; Post 78, Englewood, New Jersey, set aside funds to help underwrite the teaching of English to foreigners in that city's adult school; Post 2, Mexico City, Mexico had just built a brand new public school on the slopes of Mt. Ajusco, Mexico, to replace one destroyed in a flood.

Several thousand similar events were happening at the same time, wherever Legion posts are found in the world. One of these events might well have been the two millionth or five millionth time (nobody has counted) that a unit of The American Legion or the Auxiliary or the 40&8 has done something constructive for education during the first forty years of the Legion's existence.

As a matter of fact, more positive actions of The American Legion during its first forty years have dealt with education than with any other single aspect of American life.

If such an interest in education seems odd for a veteran's organization, that is because the Legion is an unusual veterans organization.

In one of its greatest educational achievements, and perhaps the greatest single educational project ever conceived and carried through by any organization, the Legion stood alone among veterans organizations at the crucial hour.

That, of course, was the Legion's bold and imaginative GI Bill of Rights.

The passage of the educational provisions of the GI Bill by Congress was endangered only by four sister veterans organizations.

They jointly signed an open letter to the Senate in 1944 specifically opposing the GI Bill education plan on the grounds that its cost might limit other cash benefits to veterans.

The GI Bill, of course, survived that opposition, and this one American Legion concept eventually provided college or advanced vocational training to more than seven million men and women who had lost out on their education while away at war.

The American Legion's concern for education sprang from the nature of the Legion's own beginnings.

From its very first meeting in Paris in March, 1919, The American Legion was dedicated not just to veterans, but to service to "God and Country."

The early Legion not only proclaimed itself for God and Country and for "100% Americanism" but meant to do something about it.

How make America better?

The conditions in this country in 1919 suggested the answers.

They suggested more answers in the field of education than in any other aspect of American life.

The World War I draft had revealed that hundreds of thousands of grown American men were unable to read or write. More than 24% of the men registered for the draft in that war were illiterate.

Here was a clear menace to the American concept of government by the people. What intelligent grasp of issues on which they must vote can illiterates have? The bright doorway to knowledge is closed to them.

At its first convention in 1919 the Legion opened a nationwide drive against illiteracy. The big obstacles were (a) loopholes in the compulsory education laws and anti-child labor laws in many states, and (b) the absence of any such laws in other states.

Of some 27,000,000 children of school age, more than 12,000,000 were not regularly attending school.

Between 1919 and 1925, The American Legion led the biggest revival of general public education since the inspiring work of Horace Mann eighty years earlier.

Vigorous work by Legion committees in state legislatures so effectively brought an end to child labor, and so thoroughly established compulsory education that that period of darkness has vanished from our native scene.

In 1919, the Legion also started to campaign for better schools and better working conditions and pay for teachers. And higher professional standards in teaching. Soon, it invented the now commonplace civic projects whereby citizens in any community are encouraged to know their local schools better.

To bring about better understanding between citizens and their schools, The Legion established American Education Week.

On July 4, 1921, Henry J. Ryan, first Legion national Americanism director, proposed the observance of such a week in December of every year. He made this suggestion to a committee of the National Education Association at Des Moines, Iowa.

Both the Legion and NEA adopted

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Ryan's idea, and the first American Education Week (citizens, visit and know your schools!) was heralded on the front cover of this magazine in December, 1921.

Now, 38 years later, that Week is still going strong, jointly sponsored by the NEA, the national PTA, the U.S. Office of Education and The American Legion in November.

The flavor of American Education Week was neatly expressed by the way Legion posts in Juneau and Auke Bay, Alaska, helped celebrate it last year. The two Posts gave a joint dinner to their school officials at which each teacher got an orchid from The American Legion.

One has only to read any local newspaper in the United States to know that the schools draw upon themselves more hotheaded controversies than any other local public projects.

There are very real differences of opinion about the conduct of public education in America which give solid substance to some of the controversies over our schools.

These need to be thrashed out in the American way.

Yet they are often beclouded by other violent dissensions which are founded on ignorance, misunderstanding and unreasonableness.

Down through the years, the National Education Association (school teachers), and The American Legion have enjoyed a few profound differences of opinion. During all this time the two organizations have kept up a close liaison which is one of the finest and frankest in America.

Annually committees of the two groups meet and exchange views. As a result, they have eliminated many potential school controversies that were based on poor information. The two organizations have exercised a beneficial influence on each other which has worked to the advantage of our schools and our children. The remaining points of conflict have been brought out into the clear from under the clouds of false issues.

This healthy relationship has prevented fundamental differences of opinion from interfering with mutual cooperation between the Legion and the schools in projects which, after forty years, now involve literally millions of school children each year.

The notable battles in the educational field in which the Legion has mixed have seldom involved local schools or practicing teachers.

However, when hot tempers of Legionnaires and teachers *have* clashed locally, they have made far more gorgeous headlines than the millionfold instances when Legionnaires have (a) worked closely with their schools in fine mutual projects or (b) brought the commonsense weight of the local Legion to bear in some steaming ruckus over a school controversy.

Back in 1919, the early Legion tackled another educational problem which has now almost wholly vanished from the scene.

Today it would be unthinkable that there should be hundreds of public

schools in the United States where English is not spoken.

Not then.

Great sections of U. S. cities were populated by immigrants and the children of immigrants of one nationality or another.

Looked upon as a good source of cheap labor, little had been done by Americans to Americanize these newcomers.

The Poles lived in the Polish section and spoke Polish; and thus the Italians in their section, and spoke Italian; the Greeks, the Lithuanians, the Germans, the Spanish, the Czechs and the Slovaks likewise. Hundreds of thousands of German and Austrian Jews lived in American ghettos and spoke Yiddish.

In their local public schools the children of these immigrants were "accommodated" by teachers who taught in the language of the old country.

The old folks longed to be Americans, and were glad to prove it with great Fourth of July fireworks displays.

But The American Legion was the first American organization to say militantly that those who wanted to be Americans should be given a better chance—and that meant education.

Once again, the Legion went to the state legislatures with bills. It asked that all school teaching be done in English. It asked, too, that schools be required to teach the fundamentals of American constitutional law and popular government, and the story of our country's history.

In much of this the Legion soon succeeded. Enough so that that patch of darkness on our national scene has also passed away.

The American Legion was also partly successful in having school buildings thrown open at night to teach English to the "old folks" and train them in the Americanization information they needed to get their citizens papers.

Where public school money would not pay for this earliest adult education, the Legion and other civic groups frequently united to run Americanization schools themselves for adult immigrants —sometimes in Legion post homes.

One Milwaukee Legionnaire found himself teaching English to a German who had fought directly opposite him in the trenches of France.

Eventually, The American Legion became involved in some bitter controversies in education, most of them on the teachers college level. It clashed with some of the eminent and influential men who teach teachers, certify them for their jobs, and exercise vast control over their careers and over the curricula of our public schools.

But long before then, the Legion had started its own programs to enhance the task of the public schools. Very early in the Legion's history, posts in Pennsylvania began to give annual medals to outstanding students in their local schools.

The 1923 American Legion National Convention recommended the "Pennsylvania plan" to all posts in the country.

The American Legion School Award became a national Legion Americanism project. Today these awards are given in thousands of schools across the country by their local American Legion posts. Each post or state organization fits them to its best judgment of local needs.

In most high schools in Louisiana, the award of the Legion medal is considered the top honor a graduating senior can achieve. In many other states, the Legion School Award is aimed at the grade school level. The posts in Mississippi and Pennsylvania usually grant the most medals. But this program is so widely practiced by posts that in the Legion's fortieth year, more school awards were given than there are Legion posts (about 20,000).

The Legion School Award goes to a boy or girl in a local school who best represents the qualities of honor, courage, scholarship, leadership, and service.

Since 1938, the Legion has sponsored the National High School Oratorical Contest in which high school students give competitive orations dealing with the Constitution of The United States.

The contests are usually held before student bodies, which thus share in the close examination of our Constitution conducted by the contestants.

In 1938, 4,000 school students com-

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VETERANS NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 1959

A DIGEST OF EVENTS WHICH ARE OF PERSONAL INTEREST TO YOU

PENNSYLVANIA KOREA BONUS GETS FINAL APPROVAL:

The Governor of Pennsylvania has signed the final necessary act authorizing payment of a state bonus to Pennsylvania veterans of the Armed Forces who served honorably during the Korean conflict....Benefit is based on months of service, with $15 for each month in the Korean war theater, $10 for each month outside the war theater, and a maximum bonus payment of $500....Provisions for payments to surviving dependents of deceased eligibles, under certain circumstances, are included.

Machinery for payment had not been set-up at presstime for these words, but applications were expected to be available by late September or October....The major veterans organizations are cooperating with the state to provide application forms in Pennsylvania communities....Query local American Legion or VFW posts for hometown source of forms....Non-residents who may be eligible by virtue of Pennsylvania residence when inducted into the Armed Forces for Korea-period duty may write to the Pennsylvania American Legion for application forms....Their requests will be kept until forms are available, and then fulfilled.... Write: American Legion Department of Pennsylvania, 1825 North Front Street, Harrisburg, Pa....Print name and present address clearly, request "Korea bonus form."

FORMER TB BEDS IN VETS HOSPITALS BEING CONVERTED TO OTHER USES:

Many VA hospital beds formerly used for tuberculosis (TB) are now scheduled for conversion to general medical and surgical (GM&S) purposes....On July 20, the VA announced the redesignation of five former TB hospitals to GM&S status....The beds are no longer needed for TB, due largely to new treatments of tuberculosis pioneered by the VA medical research program....The American Legion has for several years urged the reconversion of the unneeded TB beds, and vigorously protested earlier Budget Bureau policies of making the TB beds "unavailable" for other uses....Last Feb. 26, President Eisenhower announced a new policy of maintaining a VA hospital patient capacity of 125,000 authorized beds--which meant making the best use of all existing beds.... Effect should be to stabilize the beds available at the present real patient capacity of the VA hospital system and remove artificial restrictions that have barred admission of eligible patients.

Vets with service-connected disabilities have first call on VA beds....The balance of "available" beds may be occupied by patients in other categories, largest of which is vets with non-service-connected disabilities who cannot afford private care....The first five TB hospitals to be converted are those at Ft. Bayard, New Mexico; Tucson, Arizona; Walla Walla, Washington; Whipple, Arizona and Batavia, N. Y. ...Late in July, VA also consolidated its TB hospital in Baltimore, Md., with its GM&S hospital at Ft. Howard, Md., placing them under one management.

WWI RUSSIAN SERVICE NOW COUNTS FOR WAR ORPHANS EDUCATION ELIGIBILITY:

The Veterans Administration has announced that service with U.S. military forces in Russia between April 6, 1917 and April 1, 1920, will henceforth count as "war service" for purposes of the War Orphans Education Act.

This means that if such service was the cause of death of a serviceman or veteran, his child (children) could base claims for educational aid on such service-connected death....Previously, such claims were only honored if the service-connected death of the parent was due to WWI service up to the Nov. 11, 1918 Armistice....The U.S. had two military forces in operation in Russia during and shortly after the usual "official dates" of WWI....One served in Siberia, the other in the vicinity of Archangel.

The War Orphans Education Act gives aid for education and training beyond high school that is similar to the familiar GI Bill of educational assistance....The assistance goes to those who lost a parent as a result of death in wartime military duty

(WWI, WW2 or Korea) or death caused by a wartime service-connected disability....An "orphan" need not be a full orphan, for one parent may still survive....There are other requirements (including the present age of the "orphan") which must also be met.... The new provision may effect only a few "orphans", as perhaps the majority are already beyond the permissible age to receive such training....For full details, those who may be affected should consult their nearest American Legion post service officer, or the nearest VA office.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON VETERANS BENEFITS:

Here are more miscellaneous questions and answers about vets benefits, some of which may apply to you:

Q. A friend of mine died in an auto accident, leaving a wife and two small children and almost no estate....The VA paid his veterans life insurance to his first wife, who had deserted him years ago....Shouldn't his widow at the time of his death have gotten the insurance?...In the opinion of all his friends, this was a horrible thing.

A. The VA has a contract with each insured veteran to pay the insurance to the beneficiary named by the veteran....Apparently when he took out the insurance he named his first wife, and when he remarried he put off instructing the VA to change his beneficiary....Due to his oversight, the VA had no choice.

Q. I've carried disability insurance along with my vets life insurance, by paying an extra premium of $5 per $1000....Has there ever been a dividend paid on this extra form of insurance?

A. On July 23, this year, the VA announced a special dividend for the first time on the NSLI disability insurance.... It will go to those whose disability riders were in force last December 31--or which were renewed before last June 1, if lapsed on Dec. 31....A total of $4,000,000 excess will be divided among 85,000 vets who've carried the disability rider....The amount in each case will depend on age, length of time insurance has been in force, and the particular plan carried.

Q. Does the new higher interest rate of 5¼% on GI home loans apply to loans already made?

A. Not at all....It applies only to new loans....The rate was increased to make it easier for vets wanting new GI loans to find lenders.

***LEGION REMINDS VETS OF DEADLINES ON MANY BENEFITS:**

The American Legion Rehabilitation Commission has issued the following reminder to veterans of deadlines for certain federal veterans rights and benefits:

GI LOANS: World War Two veterans have until July 25, 1960, to apply....Korea veterans have until Feb. 1, 1965 to apply.... Both are allowed one year after those dates for processing, if application is in by the deadline.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING: WW2 eligibility expired three years ago, except for a few unusual cases....Korea vets have until three years after discharge or separation to start education or training (re-enlistment does not extend deadline date).

Korea vets discharged or separated on or before Jan. 31, 1955 cannot continue training after Jan. 31, 1963.

Korea vets separated after Jan. 31, 1955 cannot continue training after Jan. 31, 1965 or eight years after separation, whichever comes first.

Special training for disabled Korea vets has no set time for starting...but it cannot continue after Aug. 21, 1963 for those discharged before Aug. 20, 1954; or after Jan. 31, 1964 (or nine years after separation) for those discharged after Aug. 20, 1954...certain unusual cases rate exceptions.

AUTOMOBILES OR OTHER SPECIAL CONVEYANCES: Vets whose disabilities qualify them for such vehicles must normally apply within five years after separation...if the disability does not qualify the veteran for a vehicle at discharge, but does at a later date, special deadlines apply.

HOMESTEAD PREFERENCES FOR VACANT PUBLIC LANDS: Sept. 27 this year is the final application deadline.

CORRECTION OF SERVICE RECORDS: Application must be made within three years after discovery of error or injustice, or before Oct. 26, 1961, whichever is later.

REVIEW OF DISCHARGES: Application must be made within fifteen years of discharge.

REIMBURSEMENT OF BURIAL EXPENSES: Claim must be presented within two years after veteran's permanent burial or cremation.

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*Posts are encouraged to put items marked with an asterisk (*) in their local papers or on the air, as a statement of the Post Commander, adding a final paragraph telling local veterans how to contact the Post Service Officer for more details.

NEWS of The American Legion
and Veterans' Affairs
SEPTEMBER 1959

Senate Finance Committee Hears Pension Bill Passage Plea

Representatives of The American Legion and The American Legion Auxiliary presented firm arguments to the Senate Finance Committee on July 28-29 on why the new disability pension bill (HR7650) should be passed by the Senate without restrictive amendments. The bill was passed by the House on June 15 by a vote of 226 to 34.

A lengthy description of the proposed bill, its provisions and how it would affect the pension income of many thousands of the country's veteran population, was carried in the news section of the August issue of this magazine.

The Legion's presentation was made by National Commander Preston J. Moore and National Rehabilitation Chairman Robert M. McCurdy. The Auxiliary's National President, Mrs. Charles W. Gunn, in a precedent-establishing appearanee, spoke for the Auxiliary in support of the bill.

Cmdr Moore was among the spokesmen for several of the veterans organizations who appeared before the eommittee. Aetually there was a sharp difference of opinion among the veterans groups on two of the major provisions of the the bill: (1) to base pensions on need (2) put widows and orphans of World War 2 and Korean veterans on an equal footing with those of World War 1.

"The bill would grant pension increases to 70 pereent of the veterans now receiving them," said Cmdr Moore. He emphasized the fact that the majority of cases benefited would be World War 1 veterans.

Other points brought out in Moore's presentation included these:

- The bill would aeeomplish necessary and long overdue liberalizations in disability and death pension programs administered by the Veterans Administration.
- One of the chief virtues of the bill lies in the approval of The Ameriean Legion's long-sought equalization of eligibility to death pension for widows and orphaned ehildren of veterans of World Wars 1 & 2 and the Korean Confliet.
- The bill would give full or partial effeet to other pension resolutions adopted at the 1958 Chieago National Convention. This includes those which ealled for: (1) inercases in the flat rates of pension (2) elevation of existing income limitation to $1800 for single veterans and $3000 for married veterans (3) liberalization with respect to computation of annual income.

"The principles ineorporated in the bill are right and the bill merits favorable aetion by the Senate Finanee Committee," said Moore.

"Recent House approval has raised the hopes of many needy veterans, widows and orphans," he eontinued. "It is unlikely that an opportunity to meet their hopes and at the same time eorrect many of the problems raised by existing legislation will present itself in such a fashion soon again."

"The bill is not perfect," added Cmdr Moore, "but it does represent a substantial meeting of the minds of those most concerned. None of the interested parties is entirely satisfied and each has sacrifieed desired objeetives."

In addition to making the foregoing points, Moore pointed out that many of the issues raised by HR7650 had not been in existence for consideration by previous American Legion National Conventions. Therefore he was operating under the authority granted to him by the National Executive Committee Resolution 65 of the May 1959 meeting held in Indianapolis.

That resolution had authorized the National Commander to secure improvements in pension legislation considering convention resolutions and to work with the House Veterans Affairs Committee in seeking elimination of inequities in existing pension law.

In the concluding paragraphs of his testimony, Cmdr Moore said this:

"The bill is admittedly a compromise measure. It falls short of fulfilling The American Legion position as expressed in our pension resolutions adopted by the convention.

"*In view of these concessions on our part, the present provisions of HR7650 represent the minimum acceptable plan. Any restrictive amendments such as a further lowering of the rates would necessarily result in withdrawal of The American Legion's support.* We therefore urge the committee to report HR7650 in its present form."

In his brief presentation of the Na-

MASS FLAG PRESENTATION BY WOMEN'S POST

TWENTY-SIX new 49-star flags were presented recently to the Immaculate Conception Elementary School, Hialeah, Fla., by Coral Gables' all women's Post 156. With 141 members, the post stresses Americanism & Child Welfare projects. Has received many awards.

tional Rehabilitation Commission's position to the Senate Finance Committee, Chairman Robert M. McCurdy (Calif.) said "it would appear that at this time the forgotten man is the totally disabled and unemployable veteran who is seeking a disability pension. He is a class that Congress alone can take care of, and he is the man that since 1954 has stood alone as the one overlooked."

Chairman McCurdy said HR7650 is a basic bill. "It retains our basic premise of disability and our basic premise of need. We think you can understand that the bill is based upon total permanent disability, on limited income from other sources, and that it is for the non-service connected."

"There are many of the service connected veterans who benefit from the pension awards," McCurdy added. "About 70 percent of all service-connected cases are rated 30 percent or less. When they are rated 30 percent or less and can otherwise qualify they go on the pension rolls. So there is a considerable number of service-connected veterans who are included with those who are generally termed the non-service connected."

Chairman McCurdy asked the Senate Finance Committee to keep in mind the fact that while HR7650 does not go as far as The American Legion would desire, it does represent a workable compromise arrived at after consideration of 120 pension bills in the House.

"It is a conservative bill that justified support," McCurdy concluded, "and we respectfully ask your support."

In her remarks to the committee, Mrs. Gunn (Ore.) said that The American Legion Auxiliary "stands unified in support of the provisions of the pending legislation that includes death pension parity for the widows and orphaned children of veterans of World War 2 and Korea."

At the time of this writing there was no information as to when the Senate Finance Committee would report its action on consideration of HR7650. It had been generally assumed that the decision to hold hearings on the bill meant that the Senate Finance Committee and Senate leaders were mostly in agreement that Senate action should be taken on the measure in this session of the 86th Congress.

In the meantime, U.S. Budget Director Maurice H. Stans also appeared on the scene and told the Senate Finance Committee that the bill originally submitted by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs on April 15, 1959 (HR6432) was the bill still favored by the administration and not the presently proposed bill (HR7650).

According to Stans "the present bill is too costly to the American taxpayer."

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Proving Ground for Youth

Some new faces were introduced to the Washington political scene this past summer. And if they had their way about it there would be some changes made in the Constitution of the United States.

For one week in July the nation's capital was a working campus for 98 high school juniors who represented virtually all the states of the Union, the District of Columbia and the Canal Zone. The event was The American Legion Boys' Nation — the 14th annual gathering of its kind.

Held at nearby College Park, Md., on the campus of the University of Maryland, the Boys' Nation program served as a "proving ground" for the political talents of the youthful citizens in the problems of running the nation's government.

The boys had their own type of oratory and their own type of political campaigns. They even crossed party lines in a wholesale manner when electing their two top office holders, President Keith R. Julian of La Mesa, Calif., and Vice President Richard S. Linzer of Massapequa, N.Y. Julian ran on the "Nationalist" ticket. Linzer was standard bearer for the "Federalists."

Previous to the election, Julian and Linzer had been briefed by the country's two top political party leaders, Democratic National Chairman Paul Butler and Republican National Chairman Thruston Morton. Butler had supported the new boy president.

During the final business session, debates were held on the founding of a national science academy and on the third term for U. S. presidents. The delegates voted to repeal the present two-term limit for the presidency (the 22nd amendment to the Constitution).

In the meanwhile, the boys found time to visit with their Senators and Representatives and to tour sites of national significance in the D.C. area.

The two outstanding boys from each of the 49 Boys' States make up the delegate body of Boys' Nation. The delegates are selected by the Boys' Staters themselves and represent the top male high school juniors in the country. Most of them excel in academics, sports and extra-curricular school activities.

Typical of the reputation for good old American rivalry, one of the Texan youths was heard to say, "If they'd melt all that ice in Alaska, we might still be the biggest."

By coincidence, big Alaska and little Rhode Island were the only two states not represented.

MERCURY AWARD:

For Outstanding Service

The American Legion has just given new recognition to the communications media industry.

Named as the first winners of the Legion's newly established Mercury Award are three leaders in the nation's communications field. They are: Advertising Council, Inc., U.S. News & World Report and The Chicago Daily Tribune.

The Award was authorized by the National Executive Committee as a means of properly recognizing the press, radio, television, their associations, or such individuals connected with the media industry for "outstanding service to community, state, or nation."

Reasons for the three selections were these:

Advertising Council, Inc., because of its powerful and exceptionally successful campaign, "CONFIDENCE — A Vaccine Against Recession Fever," designed and carried out to combat a recent economic recession in the U.S.

U.S. News & World Report, "because its news and editorial policy consistently and effectively exposes the international plans, tactics, and techniques of the Communist enemies of the U.S."

The Chicago Daily Tribune, for its continuing crusade to "arouse an apathetic public to the dangers of inflation, creeping or otherwise," by "alerting the people to the loss of purchasing power and incipient financial disaster, especially those peoples with fixed incomes and war veterans dependent upon government pensions or other static income."

The awards were made at the Legion's 41st National Convention held in Minneapolis in late August.

CHILD WELFARE:

Over $8 Million

Total child welfare expenditures for the period June 1, 1958 through May 31, 1959 made by The American Legion and its affiliates totaled $8,162,966.

American Legion Posts and Departments accounted for over half of the grand total with reported expenditures of $4,092,855; the American Legion Auxiliary Units and Departments — $2,305,363; the Forty and Eight — $1,489,690; the Eight and Forty — $225,751.

The grand total of child welfare expenditures from 1925 through May 31, 1959 now amounts to $156,544,656.99.

BOYS' NATION AT THE NATION'S CAPITAL

AFTER ATTENDING church services at the University of Maryland chapel, the boys depart for Arlington National Cemetery.

FBI AGENT demonstrates an old drum-type ammunition submachine gun. Weapons on exhibit here were taken from criminals.

THE FEDERALIST PARTY boys liven things up with campaign war chant to the tune of "When The Saints Come Marching In."

YOUTHFUL OFFICE seekers hold press, radio & television interview with national political party heads on Capitol steps.

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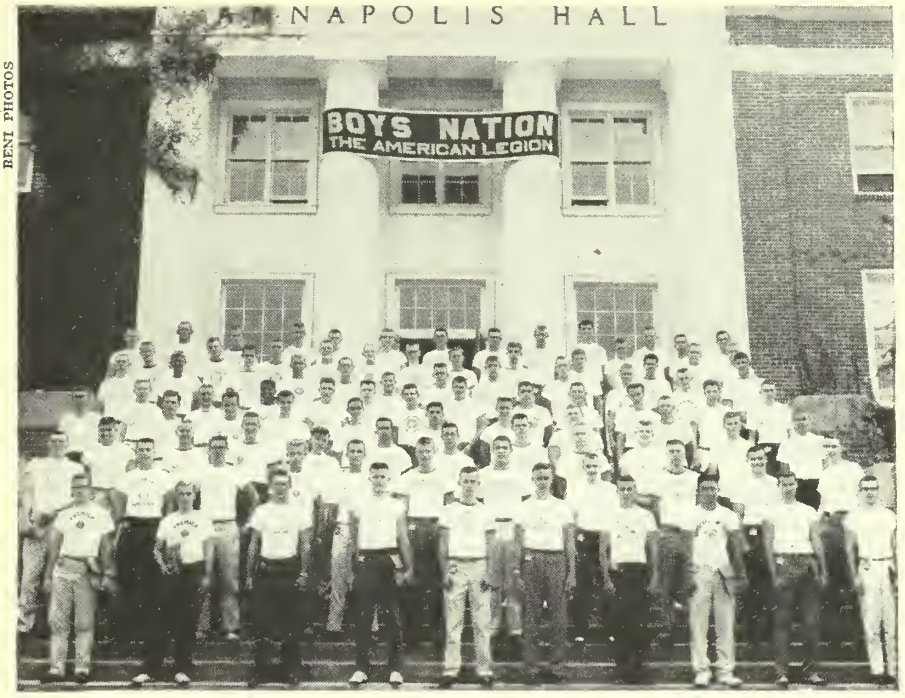

STILL WEARING the T-shirts of their respective Boys' States, the 98 youthful Senators meet for the first time at Annapolis Hall, the Boys' Nation Headquarters. After this they were assigned to their rooms and sections.

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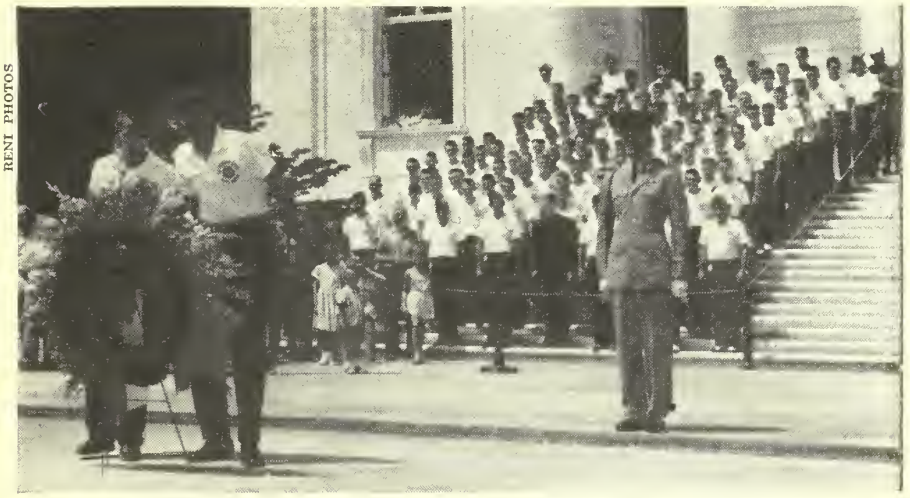

"THAT THEY MAY REST IN PEACE" is the silent prayer here as a wreath is placed at the Tomb of The Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery. It was a solemn occasion for the youths who have not had to face battle.

IT'S JUST an old fashioned celebration after a victorious political battle. The president-elect pledged to name all delegates to high appointive jobs and vowed to promote the Boys' Nation program during his term.

PENSION

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He pointed out that the proposed bill (HR7650) would add $10.1 billion to the cost of pensions under present law over the next 40 years.

Concluding his testimony, Stans had this to say: "We support the continuation of a separate veterans' pension system . . . but the cost under this bill would be far higher than is necessary."

By contrast, the Eisenhower bill (HR6432) would have saved the government $47.9 billion over the same period of time.

(A breakdown on the provisions contained in HR6432 appeared in the news section of the June 1959 issue of this magazine. The Legion's Nat'l Executive Committee flatly rejected it.)

What changes, if any, will take place in the veterans pension program is now left up entirely to the actions of our lawmakers.

SCHOLARSHIPS:

For The Asking

This is the month some of our teenagers return to college, but many more could be going than really are.

Studies show that during this coming year there will be in excess of 31,000 of the 156,000 students in the college-age group who will be potentially eligible for the benefits under the Junior GI Bill (Title 38 U.S. Code Chapter 35).

The legislation which made these benefits possible was initiated and supported by The American Legion's Education & Scholarship Committee.

The Legion has always been concerned regarding the small number who take advantage of the benefits of the Bill as compared with those who are eligible.

The Bill provides educational opportunities for the 156,000 children of veterans who died in or as the result of service in the armed forces of the U.S. Under the terms of the Bill, assistance is available to students whose parent died from disease or injury incurred or aggravated in the armed forces during WW1, WW2 or the Korean Conflict. Age eligibility begins on the date of the student's 18th birthday or successful completion of high school, whichever occurs first, and ends on the date of his 23rd birthday.

A maximum of 36 months of training and education may be obtained with payments of $110 per month paid upon completion of each month of full-time training, $80 for ¾ time, and $50 for ½ time. The training and education is available in approved colleges (public and private), vocational and business schools, and other educational institutions.

The law also provides for special restorative training or retraining to restore or improve an individual's ability with respect to physical or mental functions in which a student is handicapped and which are essential to the normal pursuit of education. This training may start at age 14.

Applications may be filed by a parent or guardian with the Veterans Administration. Information may be obtained from high school counselors or Education & Scholarship Chairman of The American Legion Post or Auxiliary Unit in your community.

Since the establishment of the Bill, less than 20 percent in the college-age group have applied for and received the benefits. During the fiscal year ending July 1958, there were also educational benefits of $5,183,000 available to children of deceased and disabled veterans from other sources.

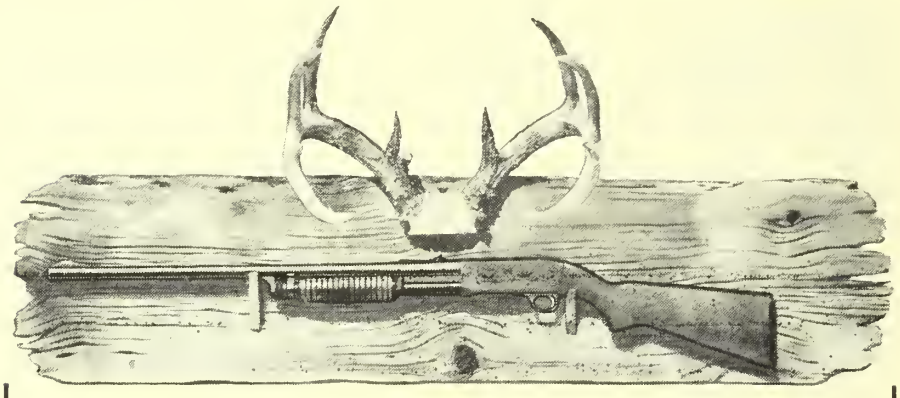
Seek New Legislation

In terms of educational legislation for the coming year, the Legion's principal interest is to secure passage of S. 105, known as the Veterans' Children Scholarship Act. Introduced by Sen. George A. Smathers (Fla.), this proposed bill would provide for the setting aside of $100,000,000 in assets seized from Germany and Japan during WW2.

The income earned by the investment of the funds would be used to provide approximately 2,000 scholarships each year for students interested in the important fields of science, technology, and engineering as well as for teaching in these fields.

The scholarships would be granted under the direction of the National Science Foundation on the basis of talent and ability with priority going to children of veterans of WW1, WW2 and the Korean conflict.

This source of educational funds would not represent a cost to the tax-



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Equally good for Deer, Moose, Bear. Wild Pigs, etc. with slug loads, and small game and Skeet with regular shot loads. Ask to see it at your local dealer.

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- Send for booklet of "easy-to-build" Gun Cabinets and Racks, six designs, with complete instuctions and materials list. A good $1.00 value for only 50¢ in coin. Big 28 page Golden Gun Catalog full of shooting tips, care of guns, choice of loads, slug shooting, etc., only 25¢ in coin.

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payer since the U.S. government now holds approximately $600,000,000 which was surrendered by Germany and Japan after WW2 in lieu of war reparations.

Source of Information

In the meantime, mailings of The American Legion's latest edition of the education handbook, "Need A Lift?", are now being made to all sections of the country. Now in its ninth revision, the handbook contains listings of college and vocational school scholarships which are available to children of veterans and to qualified high school students generally. The book is one of the major scholarship information sources in the United States. Since the first issue in 1951, more than a quarter of a million copies have been distributed.

Included in this handbook mailing is a sample news release and a statement outlining the policies and duties of Legion Education & Scholarship chairmen. Last year through the distribution of a similar news release, posts and units throughout the country received coverage in excess of a thousand items in local and state newspapers. The use of this news release is important because it identifies the scholarship program with the local Legion post and unit and their respective chairmen.

Individual posts can order additional copies of "Need A Lift?" from Scholarship Information Service, Dept. "O", The American Legion, Indianapolis 6, Ind., for 15¢ per copy to cover printing and postage. Such additional copies can be distributed by the individual posts to schools and public libraries and to the local newspapers, radio and television stations (accompanied by the news release).

TRUST FUND:

For Comfort & Benefit

Two events which took place recently at different places were the result of the generosity of the only woman who was ever a member of the Legion's National Executive Committee.

Now deceased, Mrs. Julia Wheelock, formerly of New York and Rome, established a fund to be used solely for the comfort and benefit of disabled war veterans.

Event No. 1: A gift of $15,000 to help defray the cost of a modern electric generating plant at the American Legion Mountain Camp, Tupper Lake, N.Y.

Event No. 2: A gift of $7,500 to furnish two recreation rooms and purchase 10 TV sets for the East Orange (N.J.) VA hospital and for the purchase of 10 TV sets for the Lyons (N.J.) VA hospital.

During the Tupper Lake event, a bronze plaque was dedicated in Mrs.

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WILL SHE LIVE TO GROW UP?

This child has leukemia—one of the most tragic forms of cancer. Only research has kept her alive.

Ten years ago, children stricken with leukemia—cancer of the blood-forming tissues—had only a few weeks or months of life. Today, many of these children have had precious months, even years, added to their lives, thanks to dramatic research discoveries.

Until science finds the means to *save* them, however, they live on borrowed time. The American Cancer Society's research program includes $1,500,000 annually for research related to leukemia. Millions of dollars more are needed to conquer this grim disease—which kills 2,000 children each year, and is taking an increasing toll of adult lives.

Help research find the answers that will save these lives. Give generously to the American Cancer Society's intensive research assault against leukemia and all other forms of cancer.

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POSTS IN ACTION

Items from our 17,000 posts. Those of most general interest and widest geographical spread are selected, with apologies for the hundreds of others that are so kindly reported to the editors.

Mast — Post 1820, Brooklyn, N. Y., presented and dedicated a new flagpole to the Brooklyn Public Library as a post Americanism project.

Citizenship — Post 5, Colorado Springs, Colo., is one of many posts which annually sponsors a County Government Day for selected high school students.

Collectors' Items — Post 226, Hanson, Mass., has started a War Memorial Museum and would appreciate donations of allied or enemy military items, Revolutionary to Korean conflicts.

Life Line — Members of Post 193, Lawton, Okla., contributed 298 pints of blood to local hospitals and to the VA hospital in Oklahoma City. The monetary value of the donation was estimated to be $7,450.

Early Birds — Post 15, Louisville, Ky., sent in the first 1960 Legion memberships to National Headquarters.

Benefactors — In the past 11 years, Post 131, Chicago Heights, Ill., has contributed nearly $135,000 to service work and death benefits, civic projects, fraternal, youth, religious, charitable and other veterans organizations in the community. Recently the post dedicated a new $500,000 post home.

Growing Fast — Post 192, Spavinaw, Okla., organized less than 2 years ago in a community of approximately 250 people, already has a new $20,000 home.

Foreign Service — Post 8, Munich, Germany, has transferred typical American Legion community service programs to foreign soil. The post, which has a modern $85,000 home, has staged numerous American-German teenage parties and dances, sponsored American - German charity projects, donated a washing machine and TV set worth $750 to a German hospital, gave $700 worth of knitting equipment to a refugee camp, contributed funds for the school paper for the high school for American children, conducted Memorial Day services at 3 different cemeteries, and annually sponsors Little League and Post League baseball teams. Last year the baseball activities cost some $2,000. The post has a membership of 439, an increase of 139 over the 1958 total.

TRUST FUND

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Wheelock's honor by Past National Commander Edward N. Scheiberling of Albany, N.Y.

Mrs. Wheelock represented the Department of Italy in the National Executive Committee from 1930 to 1946.

POLIO:

Get Shots!

Because not everybody is vaccinated with the three-shot Salk series "there is mounting danger of a serious polio outbreak in your town", warns The National Foundation, better known as The March of Dimes.

In fact, news reports from around the country tell that outbreaks of the dreaded affliction are again on the increase in some areas.

Polio cases used to average about 39,000 annually.

First year of the Salk vaccine, 1955, they dropped to 29,000. In 1957 they were below 6,000, but in 1958 they rose again. Chief reason: 113 million Americans haven't had the three-shot series. Paralytic cases in 1958 were up 44% over 1957, and a deadly epidemic hit Detroit, hitting 876 people, most of whom were unvaccinated.

Many American Legion posts actively join in the national campaign to get America vaccinated.

Simplest way to help is to sponsor "get-vaccinated" publicity locally, using exact info obtained from your local March of Dimes chapter. Posts may also set an example by getting "shots" themselves, with attendant publicity; and give their moral and manpower support to health dep't and medical society local vaccination programs.

BRIEFLY NOTED

● As of June 30, Post 1, Denver, Colo., was leading by 1,482 members over its runner-up rival, Post 14, Shreveport, La., in the race for the largest post in The American Legion. The score: 9,233 to 7,751.

● The American Legion spent $32,942.25 for lobbying expenses in Washington, D.C. during the first three months in 1959, according to the Congressional Quarterly. The total combined expenses for five other veterans organizations during the same period was $13,420.29.

● Herkimer County (N.Y.) Legionnaires have distributed "Don't Take A Vacation From God!" posters throughout the county's key vacation areas, service stations, picnic grounds, bus stations and bars to promote the Legion's "For God and Country" program.

● It took 3½ hours of spirited voting and 12 ballots to break a three-way deadlock in the election of Michigan's Department Commander for 1959-60. Winner was Lewis C. Bricker of Coldwater, a WW2 army veteran.

● WW2 veterans are reminded that July 25, 1960 is the cut-off date for the post-war GI loan program. Nearly 5 million veterans have exercised their loan privileges since June 22, 1944.

● A special $4 million dividend will be paid this year to 85,000 National Service Life Insurance policyholders who carried the $5.00 total disability income provision as of Dec. 31, 1958.

● One post has already exceeded its 1959 membership for 1960. It's Post 143, Dadeville, Ala., with 346 members signed up.

● Malcom P. McLean, president of Pan-American Steamship Corp., was presented with the 1959 American Legion Merchant Marine Achievement Award by President Eisenhower on July 29.

Sponsored by New York's Robert L. Hague Post 1242, the award was given to the company for its development of ships for the transportation of loaded trailer trucks.

● An "historic first" is claimed by Post 162, Lorton, Va. Recently the post honored the new State of Hawaii in special ceremonies. It's the first time the state has been so honored by any organization in the U.S. according to the president-elect of the Hawaiian State Society. The post presented a 50-star flag to the Society.

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS:

The citation of an individual Legionnaire to life membership in his Post is a testimonial by those who know him best that he has served The American Legion well.

Below are listed some of the previously unpublished life memberships that have been reported to the editors. They are arranged by States.

Arthur H. Fish and **Zenas B. Forbush** and **Guy C. Lewis** (all 1959), Post 13, Pasadena, Calif.
Allen F. Daily, Jr. and **Richard C. Parks** (both 1959), Post 127, Glendale, Calif.
Everett Lee Donaldson and **John T. Frazier** (both 1959), Post 267, La Habra, Calif.
W. Dale Parker (1959), Post 41, Newport, Del.
A. B. Adams (1959), Post 201, Alpharetta, Ga.
Sidney Urbansky (1959), Post 178, St. Marys, Kans.
Brance E. Steely (1958), Post 58, Williamsburg, Ky.
Edward McDonald and **Harlow Melendy** (both 1958), Post 117, Wilton, Maine.
George W. Knowlton, Jr. (1959), Post 173, Upton, Mass.
Leo J. Clarkson (1959), Post 228, Somerset, Mass.
Glenn Rial (1958) and **William Richardson** and **Ray Young** (both 1959), Post 203, Belding, Mich.
Verne L. Cornwell and **Herbert Wachter** (both 1959), Post 251, Detroit, Mich.

Lloyd M. Grandprey, Sr. and **Glen D. Wilson** (both 1959), Post 77, Owatonna, Minn.
Emil Neugebauer, Sr. (1959), Post 5, Rahway, N. J.
David B. Rodman and **Reynold Thomas** and **Washington W. Watts** (all 1958), Post 79, Burlington, N. J.
Barney Dykhouse (1959), Post 240, Prospect Park, N. J.
Aaron J. Goldstone and **Ira H. Holmes** and **Robert A. Lapine** and **Charles O. LeBeau** (all 1959), Post 69, Ogdensburg, N. Y.
Joseph Brodsky and **Joseph Kramer** and **Sol E. Schiff** (all 1959), Post 263, New York, N. Y.
Frederick Fellendorf and **David Harrison** and **Charles Ransom** (all 1959), Post 456, Sea Cliff, N. Y.
Lynn Witty (1959), Post 617, Marathon, N. Y.
Nat Jaslow (1959), Post 1180, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Vincenzo Chiarelli (1959), Post 1189, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Elmer G. Driscoll (1958), Post 1202, Brooklyn, N. Y.
John J. Herlihy (1959), Post 1789, New York, N. Y.
Clarence E. Felker (1958), Post 17, Gibsonburg, Ohio.
Roy K. Myers and **Willard D. Myers** and **Charles East** (all 1959), Post 436, Greentown, Ohio.
Elmer B. Toomey (1956), Post 27, Harrisburg, Pa.
Clarence E. Lauer and **James W. McMillen** and **Elmer B. Myers** and **E. Wilson Myers** (all 1959), Post 147, Roaring Spring, Pa.
Annette Eckman (1959), Post 263, Philadelphia, Pa.
C. Arthur Clapp and **Raymond O. Confer** and **George Crawford** and **Renshaw C. DeWitt** (all 1959), Post 268, Muncy, Pa.
Frank L. Heinrich and **Arthur E. Kenneweg** (both 1957) and **Jules U. Mangold** (1958), Post 485, McDonald, Pa.
Stanley Walters (1957) and **Irwin Rutter** and **Harry Wright** (both 1958), Post 559, Annville, Pa.
Raymond Gibbons and **James Hyland** and **Charles Jacusky** and **Patrick Kelley** (all 1954), Post 677, New Philadelphia, Pa.
Christian Hansen (1959), Post 24, Greenwood, R. I.
H. M. Kingrea (1959), Post 68, Narrows, Va.
Burton E. Fox (1959), Post 60, Suquamish, Wash.

Post Commanders or Adjutants are asked to report life membership awards to "Life Memberships," The American Legion Magazine, 720 5th Ave., New York 19, N. Y. Date of award is requested in all cases. Receipt of names cannot be acknowledged.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS:

WILLIAM T. COMER, Past Dep't Cmdr of Florida (1938-39), appointed senior management engineering consultant and control adviser for the Army Ordnance Missile Command, Redstone Arsenal, Ala.

MAJ. GEN. RALPH A. PALLADINO, member of Post 97, Winchester, Mass., appointed Military Executive to the Chm'n of the Reserve Forces Policy Board.

MAJ. GEN. DONALD W. McCOWAN, Vice Chm'n of The American Legion Nat'l Security Training Committee, appointed Chief of the National Guard Bureau, Department of Defense.

HARRY L. FOSTER, Past Dep't Cmdr of California (1947-48), named Chm'n of The American Legion Convention Commission, succeeding the late Joe H. Adams, deceased.

Died:

LLEWELLYN C. FORTIER (Maine), member of The American Legion Americanism Commission since 1946.

ARCHIE M. CLOSSON, member of The American Legion Americanism Commission since 1937; suddenly; at his home, in Lodi, Calif.

ARTHUR S. HORSLEY, Area E Child Welfare Chm'n, Utah Child Welfare Chm'n, and Utah Rehabilitation Chm'n; in his sleep; at the Utah Boys State.

S. PRENTISS BAILEY, former Nat'l Executive Committeeman from Dep't of France (1923-36).

DR. JAMES J. MORROW, Past Dep't Cmdr of Minnesota (1928-29); in North Hollywood, Calif. He was founder of The American Legion.

DOUGLAS McKAY, former Secretary of the Interior, and former member of The American Legion Distinguished Guests Committee; in Salem, Oreg.

DR. A. B. RIVERS, Past Dep't Cmdr of Oklahoma (1939-40), and former Oklahoma Nat'l Executive Committeman (1941-49). He served as campaign manager for Nat'l Cmdr Preston J. Moore.

WILLIAM J. KANE, Past Dep't Cmdr of South Dakota (1937-38).

CHARLES PIERCE, Dep't Historian of the District of Columbia.

C. A. ZWEINER, Past Dep't Adj't of Minnesota (1931-47), and Past Dep't Cmdr (1948-49); at his home in St. Paul. At the time of his death he was Dep't Public Relations Director and Associate Editor of the *Minnesota Legionnaire*.

ONE OF the chief community projects of Post 55, Hannibal, Mo., is this set of modern bowling alleys built in 1954 at cost of $100,000. Post plays host to bowling classes from Hannibal public schools and Hannibal-LaGrange Junior College. Classes get reduced rates and expert instructors from the Post. ABC leagues also use the sanctioned alleys.

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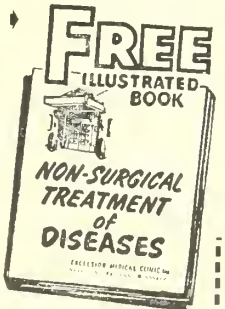

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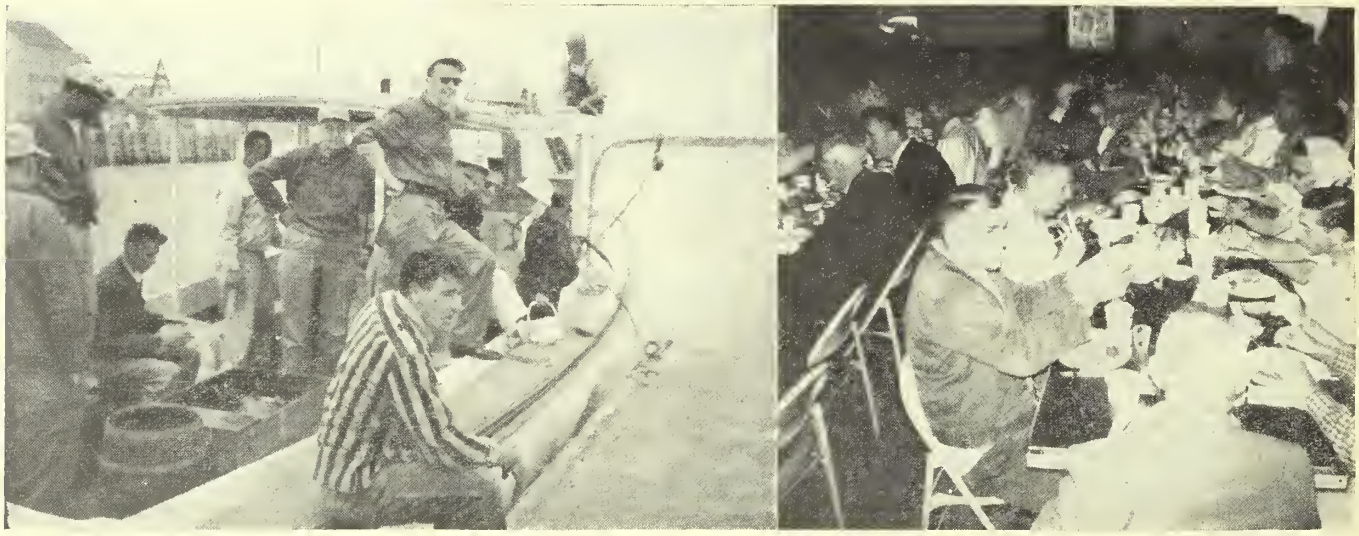

GOING TO SEA in a Rockport, Mass., fishing boat (left) are some of 110 disabled veterans from three Mass. VA hospitals who enjoyed a 10th annual outing sponsored by Post 98, of Rockport. Earlier they had feasted at the post home (right).

OUTFIT REUNIONS

Reunion will be held in month indicated. For particulars, write person whose address is given.

Notices accepted on official form only. For form send stamped, addressed return envelope to: O. R. Form, American Legion Magazine, 720 Fifth Ave., New York 19, N. Y. Notices should be received at least four months before scheduled reunion.

All Services

Canadian Legion, Great Lakes States Command—(Sept.) David Cunningham, 3818 N. Lakewood Ave., Chicago 13, Ill.

Army

3d Cav Group (3d and 43d Sqdns)—(Sept.) Dominick Cirrito, 617 71st St., Niagara Falls, N. Y.
3d Pioneer Inf (WWI)—(Sept.) R. F. Palmquist, 4733 Columbus Ave., Minneapolis 7, Minn.
5th Field Sig Bn (WWI)—(Oct.) H. C. Billingsley, Thebes, Ill.
8th Inf (WWI)—(Nov.) Henry M. Buckley, 375 Ninth St., San Francisco 3, Calif.
11th Inf—(Sept.) H. A. Baumann, 1144 Spann Ave., Indianapolis 3, Ind.
12th Army Group—(Oct.) Col. Bertram Kalisch, Brandywine, Md.
55th CAC (WWI)—(Oct.) Walter E. Jones, 15 Winthrop St., Malden 48, Mass.
61st Ry Engrs (WWI)—(Oct.) E. M. Soboda, 932 Roscoe St., Green Bay, Wis.
104th Engrs, Co B (WWI)—(Nov.) George F. Seybold, 117 E. Homestead Ave., Collingswood 7, N. J.
110th Engrs (AEF)—(Sept.) George T. Raddant, 1708 Baltimore Ave., Kansas City 8, Mo.
116th Inf, Co F (WWI)—(Nov.) Robert H. Ragland, 3201 Pasley Ave. S.W., Roanoke, Va.
131st MG Bn (WWI)—(Oct.) C. F. Vickrey, Box 826, Frederick, Okla.
137th FA, Btry A (WWI)—(Oct.) Lorin C. Marquiss, 416 Nussbaum Ave., Fort Wayne, Ind.
142d Ord Base Automotive Maintenance Bn, 3040th Co—(Oct.) G. Gerald Holmes, 453 S. California St., Sycamore, Ill.
143d Inf, Co C (WWI)—(Nov.) M. P. Stewart, 1475 Cartwright, Beaumont, Tex.
148th Field Hosp—(Oct.) O. N. Grover, 260 S. Enterprise, Bowling Green, Ohio.
156th FA Bn, Hq Btry—(Sept.) George C. Cooper, 30820 Euclid Ave., Wickliffe, Ohio.
161st Inf (WWI)—(Nov.) Wally Sproul, 201 City Hall, Spokane 1, Wash.
163rd Sig Photographic Co (WW2)—(Oct.) Robert J. Goebel, Box 175, West Milford, N. J.
172d Inf, Co E—(Sept.) E. E. Nisley, 13 W. Main St., Hummelstown, Pa.
174th Inf—(Sept.) Henry E. Peterson, State Armory, 184 Connecticut St., Buffalo 13, N. Y.
209th CA (AA), Btry D—(Oct.) Edward J. Robena, 56 Salina St., Rochester 11, N. Y.
302nd Field Sig Bn (WWI)—(Oct.) Harry Schoen, 100 Fifth Ave., New York 11, N. Y.
309th FA (WWI)—(Oct.) Philip Guenther, 92 Macbeth St., Rochester 9, N. Y.
316th Inf—(Sept.) Raymond A. Cullen, P.O. Box 1303, Philadelphia 5, Pa.
319th Engrs (WWI)—(Oct.) Col. Curtis W. Otwell, P.O. Box 246, Palo Alto, Calif.
324th Heavy FA—(Sept.) Fred Karch, 1143 Oakwood Ave., Columbus 6, Ohio.
351st Inf, MG Co (WWI)—(Sept.) Henry J. Reinders, Mallard, Iowa.
356th Inf, Co A—(Nov.) C. A. Teaford, 201 S. 36th St., St. Joseph, Mo.
551st AAA Bn—(Oct.) Joseph J. Zannie, 152 Isabelle St., Rochester 6, N. Y.
724th Transportation Ry Operating Bn (Korea)—(Oct.) H. R. Rhoads, 501 Essex Road, Norwood, Pa.
729th Ord LM Co—(Sept.) Daniel W. Deal, Box 206, Havre de Grace, Md.
1915th QM Truck Co—(Oct.) Alvin V. Johnson, R. D. 4, Aitkin, Minn.
3505th Ord MAM Co—(Sept.) Peter P. Patrick, 49 Yolanda Drive, Rochester 11, N. Y.

THE AMERICAN LEGION
NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS
JUNE 30, 1959

ASSETS

Cash on hand and on deposit		$ 365,750.92
Receivables		269,614.49
Inventories		460,463.27
Invested Funds		1,158,673.94
Trust Funds:		
Overseas Graves Decoration Trust Fund	$ 260,216.19	
Employees Retirement Trust Fund	2,794,185.94	3,054,402.13
Real Estate		804,990.15
Furniture and Fixtures, less Depreciation		329,791.66
Deferred Charges		170,096.62
		$6,613,783.18

LIABILITIES, DEFERRED REVENUE AND NET WORTH

Current Liabilities		$ 401,405.78
Funds restricted as to use		24,595.84
Deferred Income		1,450,301.87
Trust Funds:		
Overseas Graves Decoration Trust Fund	$ 260,216.19	
Employees Retirement Trust Fund	2,794,185.94	3,054,402.13
Net Worth:		
Reserve Fund	$ 24,185.11	
Restricted Fund	20,424.33	
Real Estate	804,990.15	
Reserve for Rehabilitation	415,297.63	
Reserve for Child Welfare	45,796.62	
Reserve for Convention	30,000.00	
	$1,340,693.84	
Unrestricted Capital	342,383.72	1,683,077.56
		$6,613,783.18

Navy

2d Naval District Reserve Band, Newport, R. I. (WWI)—(Nov.) Samuel Silverman, 680 County Road, Barrington, R. I.
MAG 25 and SCAT Vets (WW2)—(Sept.) Robert Biggane, 91 Highland Drive, Williamsville 21, N. Y.
North Sea Mine Force—(Oct.) Jacob J. Kammer, 54 Walnut Ave., Floral Park, N. Y.
USS Frederick Funston—(Nov.) Walter Schwarting, 4645 N. Murray, Milwaukee 11, Wis.
USS Santa Fe—(Oct.) Frederick C. Jaissle, 18 Cedar St., Hudson, Mass.

Air

1st Air Service Mechanics Regt, Co 6 (AEF)—(Oct.) Edwin Lord, 11 Otis St., Everett 49, Mass.
50th Aero Sqdn—(Oct.) James Colmus, 1507 N. Michigan Ave., Atlantic City, N. J.
96th Aero Sqdn (WWI)—(Oct.) Carl C. Blanchard, Farmington, N. H.
463d Aero Sqdn (WWI)—(Oct.) W. B. Scarrow, Box 6, Goodland, Kans.
496th and 497th Aero Sqdns (WWI)—(Oct.) William F. Mussig, 2114 Haviland Ave., Bronx 72, N. Y.

COMRADES IN DISTRESS

Readers who can help these comrades are urged to do so.

Notices are run at the request of The American Legion Nat'l Rehabilitation Commission. They are not accepted from other sources.

Readers wanting Legion help with claims should contact their local service officers.

Service officers unable to locate needed witnesses for claims development should refer the matter to the Nat'l Rehabilitation Commission through normal channels, for further search before referral to this column.

Army

Mars Task Force, 475th Inf, 3d Bn, Hq Co—Need to locate anyone who served with me during the march from Myitkyina to Lashio, Burma. Especially need to hear from anyone who remembers my chronic cough, especially my foxhole mate, Capt MacCullouch (or Mac Cullough or Mac Culler); members of the radio group, particularly Stephen Koski, Sgt Fred Abbott, Harry Sorters, John Kane, Henry King, Hank Wisinuski, and Charles Knox. Also need to contact the sergeant who had me taken off patrol duty because of my continuous coughing. Need help to establish claim for lung damage. Write me, **Wesley S. (Mae) West**, 2304 Fiesta St., Sarasota, Fla.

CIVIL AVIATION AND OUR NATIONAL DEFENSE

(Continued from page 21)

All this takes on added meaning when we think in terms of the possibility of another operation like the Berlin Airlift. What a far cry the new fleet would be from the C-47's and the C-54's that sustained 2½ million people during "Operation Vittles," supplying them with everything from medical supplies to industrial coal.

We cannot speak of the civil fleet without considering the largest segment — general aviation. Here are 65,000 planes available for administrative flying, cargo hauling, rescue work, patrol duty, courier service, weather reconnaissance, ambulance flights, flight instruction, instrument training—the versatility of the general fleet makes the list go on indefinitely.

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You can do your gift buying without time-consuming trips to crowded stores if you use "The American Legion Shopper." See page 51.

This is a respectable fleet of functional, dependable, well-equipped air transportation. It includes more than 1,600 twin-engine aircraft with powerplants rated over 750 horsepower. These are the DC-3's, Lodestars, Super 18's, converted Convairs, and so on — aircraft comparable to or superior to the workhorses we used for administrative and cargo flying in World War II.

In addition, there are more than 1,600 active twin-engine aircraft designated as light twins. They are efficient and comfortable, and many have speeds in excess of 200 m.p.h.—faster than the B-25 used for combat in World War II. More than 90 percent of the multiengine aircraft in the general fleet are equipped for all-weather flying, equipped for Instrument Flight Rules.

The military has already recognized that there is a place for the four- to six-place twin, as evidenced by the Air Force's purchase of 160 Cessna 310's, designated as the L-27 or U-3A.

The bulk of the general fleet is made up of versatile, single-engine planes. This is not a fleet of wooden frames and fabric coverings. It is an efficient fleet of aircraft with function, aircraft with performance and versatility.

The second service to be rendered by general aviation is found in the pool of qualified personnel which has grown up with the industry. There are some 600,000 certified pilots in America. These men may never receive military ratings; but they are the pilots who, as part of the War Service Training Program, were our instructors in the contract schools during World War II. They also flew sub patrols off Florida.

More important than the pilots are the skilled people found in the industry. It is hard to believe that, in such a short period of time, aviation has grown until now, based on employment, it is the largest industry in the American economy. Aviation utilizes more than 20,000 different skills.

A third area of support from the civil air arm is found in the strong and flexible industry which is capable of converting to wartime production. Most plants have their war conversion plans by which a part of the plant can immediately be turned to the production of critical items not even related to aviation.

The fourth area to be served is in the network of communications facilities and bases which has grown up as a result of the expanding civil air arm in times of peace. There are about 175,000 miles of Federal airways in this country, 6,000 bases, hundreds of control towers; all are a part of the integrated system for civil and military use. There are civilian airports today with the capacity to handle up to 20,000 operations per day. When World War II came, we had time to build airstrips. We will not have time if there is another war.

Many of the airfields which were constructed during World War II would have fallen into deterioration and decay had it not been for civil aviation taking over, maintaining, and even improving some of these facilities.

The fifth service is to be found in the research and development being done by the aviation industry in time of peace. Research and development is a joint responsibility of Government and industry. The aviation industry has done its part. At the present time it spends more on research and development than any other segment of the American industrial complex does. Aviation employs about 25 percent of all the research and development personnel in our industrial and governmental structure. The budget for research and development in aviation has increased some 800 percent in the last 5 years.

This is encouraging when we think of former President Truman's prediction that the next war, should one come, can easily be lost in the laboratories years before the storm clouds show on the horizon.

Civil aviation, considered by so many as a pastime engaged in for sport and show, has come of age. National strength cannot be measured except in relation to a strong and effective military airpower in being, augmented by civil aviation, commercial and general. THE END

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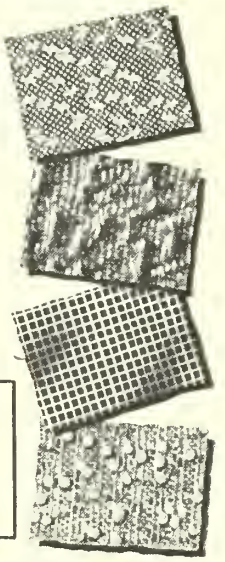

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ROD AND GUN CLUB

For the man with an interest in the great outdoors.

LAST JANUARY, you may recall, we published an article on quick draw. This month's cover resulted from that. Looking for a proper Wild West setting for photographs, we came upon the place portrayed on the cover. It is called Frontier Town, and it is located on Route 9 near North Hudson, N.Y. You'll find just about everything there that you associate with the Old West, and you'll probably find the place overrun with kids, big and little.

CARL R. BELCZYNSKI, 20424 Therese Drive, Mt. Clemens, Mich., has put his fishing rods away. He says: "When you store your tackle box for the winter, put in a small bag of 'Dessicant.' This drying agent will keep the metal pieces of equipment from rusting."

Lloyd D. Moran, 2928 Ivy Place, Chalmette, La., shines up his lures before storing for the season. "I put a fast new shine on old lures by soaking them in water that has been used to boil potatoes."

LEGIONNAIRES of Post 26, Bridgeville, Del., have built a fine rifle range for small bore and high power shooting. There are 24 firing points up to 600 yards. The range is located on Nanticoke Rd., one mile east of U.S. 13. The range is widely known as The American Legion Range. Junior membership, ammunition and targets are free to youngsters. There are 42 Junior shooters. The Post has 88 members. All are members of the Rifle Club. Governor Caleb Boggs and many others have donated trophies at various meets. Range is open daily. Write Jack Blades, Marksmanship Chairman, Department of Delaware, Post 26, Bridgeville, Del., for more information about this outstanding Legion activity.

THIS IS THE season when you get set to take to the woods. We like the commonsense advice of California's Fish and Game Director, William E. Warne, in warning his people against starting fires: Break matches in two. Carefully put out cigars, cigarettes and pipe dottle. Use an ash tray in the car. Have a can partially filled with water in camp. Make sure campfires are dead out before leaving camp or going to bed at night. Carry litter bags in the car.

HOW MANY TIMES have you bird hunters "flushed" a double and by the time you'd swung on the first quarry and brought it down, you couldn't shoot at the second because of the increased range? No sportsman likes to risk a "cripple" because of a pattern that's spread too thin.

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ROBERT T. BLAIR, a 30-year Legion member, Box 496, Jensen Beach, Fla., feels that one of the best sports gimmicks he has found is, "The small, doctor's, hypodermic needle filled with high grade oil. It reaches the most difficult places and is so easily controlled that no spillage occurs. The needle takes up little space in the gun kit or tackle box, has a plastic cap that prevents spillage, is so hardened that it penetrates the spring closures that are supposed, by the reel manufacturer, to protect the oil-aperture from becoming clogged."

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AN AUTUMN VACATION in the Province of Quebec has great attractions.

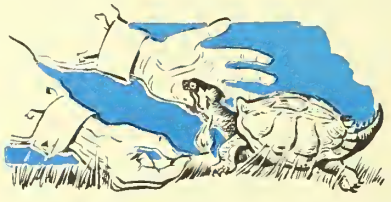
Fishermen can catch lake trout, big northern pike, black bass, walleyes and salmon in the Gatineau Valley in the Laurentians or in lakes near Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and New York.

Hunters can shoot snow geese in the St. Lawrence River Islands near Cap Tourmente, 40 miles below the city of Quebec. About $25.00 a day will cover accommodations, guide and jeep fare. Daily limit is five geese. Write to L. A. Richard, Department of Fish & Game, Parliament Buildings, Quebec, Canada, for details.

DID YOU KNOW that practically every big musky is a female? And there is a big 80-lb. musky in Lake Amnicon, Douglas County, Wisc., that apparently can't be caught. And another big one in Long Lake, northeastern Wisconsin, that has so many plugs and lures on her that they jingle when she strikes and leaps straight in the air. The fishermen in those parts call her "Big Annie." They can't bring her in either.

Joseph W. Jackson relates these facts and lots of other interesting information on the subject in his book *Musky Fishing*. He goes into detail as to how to catch muskies and tells of his life-long experiences hunting this number one fresh water game fish. Mr. Jackson relates some of his enjoyable thrills fishing with three expert musky guides of the region who can total 140 years of experience in musky fishing.

The book is illustrated and stiff bound. It discusses such things as muskies and their habits, casting, seasons for muskies, clothes for musky fishing, musky guides and many other interesting items. The book costs $4.50 and is available from Joseph W. Jackson, 2010 Adams St., Madison 6, Wisc. You can get a free booklet, "Twenty Tips For Catching Muskies," from Mr. Jackson for the asking.



DAVID CARMAN of R.R. 1, Fort Madison, Iowa, has an idea on how to unhook yourself from a snapping turtle if you are unfortunate enough to be nailed by one. David says, "If you are ever caught by a snapping turtle, light a match and touch it to the turtle's throat. He will release his hold very quickly." Maybe some of you readers have a better idea.

AVAILABLE WITHOUT charge is a fact-filled 32-page booklet just published by Sunset Fishing Lines, which will provide any fisherman with an enjoyable evening's reading and also serve as a useful tackle box reference piece.

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ACCORDING TO D. H. Janzen, Director of the Bureau of Sports Fisheries and Wildlife, Fish and Wildlife Service, "The new $3 duck stamp will help act as an insurance payment against the permanent retiring of your duck hunting equipment and your dreams of duck hunting trips for yourself and those who come after you."

What he is talking about is the severe straits that ducks find themselves in this year.

A DETAILED and comprehensive Digest of State Trailer Laws has been published by Outboard Boating Club of America. It thoroughly covers boat trailer statutes in all states and provides boatmen with a summary of state regulations governing boat trailer equipment, licensing and operating procedures. It is in the format of a 22 x 35 inch wall chart and covers 21 categories of boat trailer information such as lighting regulations, speed limits, maximum trailer sizes, safety chains, directional lights and tolls.

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FARMERS, PART-TIME SPORTSMEN, young men who have proved themselves with .22 rifles, and gun lovers of all levels, should be happy to know that Savage Arms Company, Chicopee Falls, Mass., has just pulled an arms scoop by putting their famous over-and-under Model 24 (top barrel, .22 rifle; bottom, .410 shotgun) on the market with the rifle barrel chambered for the spanking new .22 Winchester Magnum Rimfire cartridge. This lifts this versatile gun into a category that makes it a very practical arms buy today at $42.50. The magnum cartridge makes this an excellent varmint weapon, and the .410 shotgun chamber means that you can use the Savage 24 for anything that moves in the small game class. Squirrel or rabbit hunters can take the dodging bunnies or grays sitting at a distance or on the move in the tall grass or timber. If you're a man who wants just one complete weapon, the Model 24 could be the answer. Write to Charles Du Buisson, Savage Arms Co., Chicopee Falls, Mass., for illustrated folder.

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Write Jack Kennard at High Standard Manufacturing Company, Hamden, Conn., for illustrated folder.

TOM BURRIER, Box 217, Oak Harbor, Wash., isn't taking the news of a scarcity of waterfowl seriously, if his advice to this column is any augury. He says: "During winter wildfowl season, when a freeze and then snow cover all the ponds and puddles that ducks normally decoy to, it is easy to custom-make your own open water. Into five gallons of warm water, mix half a pint of regular home laundry blueing, and two tablespoons of liquid glycerine (obtainable at any drug store for a dime). If the snow on a pond is deeper than an inch, sweep off the excess above that depth. Then pour the water-blueing-glycerine mix on the ice within range of your duck blind. The five gallon mixture will normally cover about 200 square feet of snow-ice. The glycerine gives the surface a dull sheen that looks exactly like open water from a few yards away. The blueing of course adds the color. Wooden or paper decoys set along the *edges* of the 'pond' will bring webfeet in that would otherwise pass over the snowy country. This improvisation works especially good in open stubble or corn fields that are usually spotted with ponds.

Also, in lieu of 'store-boughten' decoys for geese, crumpled newspapers in the rough shape of snow, wavy, Ross or blue geese staked down in stubble fields make excellent decoys. Besides, you can carry a whole 'flock' of these to the hunting grounds, folded flat, as against lugging heavy sacks of regular decoys. They sure work in the Stanwood Flats area here on Puget Sound, for snows and wavies particularly."

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—Jack Denton Scott

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peted. Last year the number had swelled to about 350,000.

The top four national winners get college scholarships of $4,000; $2,500; $1,000 and $500 from the national American Legion.

Many of the winners on lower levels receive awards or scholarships from their Legion state, district or post organizations.

Cash scholarships to the top winners from the national American Legion totalled $138,000 during the program's first twenty years.

The American Legion now publishes the speeches of the current winners in each state in an annual volume called "Orations."

Terms of the contest have been annually approved by the National Contest Committee of the Nat'l Ass'n of Secondary School Principals.

Contestants are usually coached by their high school speech or public speaking teachers.

The Oratorical Contest was originally sponsored by a group of newspapers, following an experiment by the *Los Angeles Times* in 1923. It was picked up by the Legion when the newspapers dropped it.

By far the most successful and spectacular Legion-school projects are the Boys' States and Girls' States, in which selected high-school juniors are sent each year to their state capitals or to college campuses for a week or more of intensive study of government. The youngsters set up their own mock-governments as a base for learning.

These giant youth projects have now so permeated the nation that complete national figures are harder and harder to collect.

As long ago as 1954, Legion posts plus cooperating civic groups put up more than $600,000 to send 19,000 boys to Boys' States.

Boys' States are sponsored by the Legion. Girls' States by the Auxiliary.

Final figures for 1959 will show vast growth over all earlier records.

Boys' State was started by the Illinois American Legion in 1935 and quickly became a national program.

Today, it extends even to the Panama Canal Zone.

The Boys' and Girls' States command top news attention in every state while in session, receive tremendous and well-deserved support from public and private schools, state and private universities and colleges, and the leading public officials of the several states.

Boys and girls county governments have been established by local Legion-school cooperation in many areas. They are statewide in Nebraska and Louisiana, and may be found locally in some counties from New York to Arizona.

Our schools always have been and always will be a special target for power-hungry, social schemers who are impatient with American democracy and unable to sell their notions in the open market of adult public opinion.

To all such groups, native or foreign, the prospect of gaining their ends in the long run by brainwashing our school children is as attractive as it ever was to Stalin, Hitler or Mussolini.

One such movement involved The American Legion in a noteworthy controversy.

In 1941, The American Legion published a three-volume analysis of a set of social studies school textbooks prepared by Professor Harold O. Rugg of Teachers College, Columbia University.

The Legion had long contended that Prof. Rugg's books, whose use was widespread in U.S. public schools, supported Rugg's own advocacy of "social, political and economic reforms amounting to destruction of elements of the American Constitution . . . without regard to historical and geographic facts," to quote historian Richard Seelye Jones.

The Legion's criticism of the Rugg books brought down a torrent of name-calling on the Legion's head from Rugg's associates, until the Legion employed R. Worth Shumaker, a West Virginia educator, to compile a professionally competent look-see at the textbooks in question.

Shumaker's analysis was a cold, able, scholarly, factual public exposure. Its publication by the Legion was the end of the Rugg books in most U.S. public schools.

This famous episode was a climax of an almost unbelievable ten years of effort by a small group of education professors at Columbia Teachers College and some other teachers colleges to subvert the public schools.

Their adventure would have seemed like comic opera, had not the leaders been among the most influential men in America in the training of teachers and control of their careers.

Student teachers were urged to use their influence over school children to upset the social and economic structure of the United States and bring about a "new social order."

In 1932, Prof. Rugg was reported in the *Cleveland Press* to have announced that he and his associates — Teachers College Professors George S. Counts and Goodwin Watson, were heading up a movement "of 14 million people" to demand radical social and economic changes from President Roosevelt.

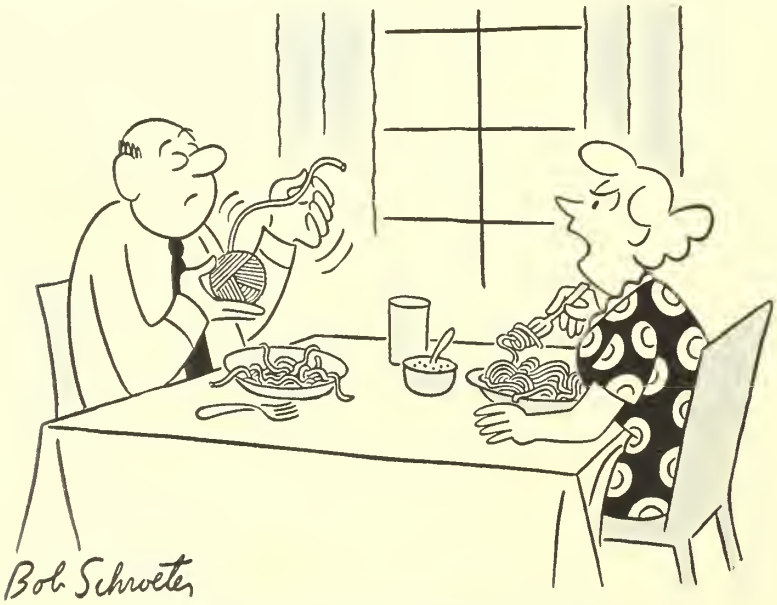
Rugg announced that "The President will go just as far to the left as we push him," according to reporter Oscar Ranney.

At the same time, Prof. Counts spelled out the marching orders for the teachers to take over America's destiny by usurping the public trust in them.

Wrote Counts: "That the teachers should deliberately reach for power and then make the most of their conquest is my firm conviction . . ."

"Progressive elements" in the teaching profession "should eagerly grasp the opportunity which the fates have placed in their hands," he added.

No student teacher graduated from



"Look, if you don't like the spaghetti, just say so."

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Teachers College in the 1930's without an attempt to indoctrinate him in these notions in courses required for teaching degrees. The writer of these words was such a student.

We were taught that the American way had failed, while the Soviet system, in spite of certain scholarly reservations, should be treated by teachers as well worth watching as "an experiment."

The "new order" which we were instructed to bring off through our future influence over schoolchildren, was never clearly defined. At times it seemed nothing but confusion, at other times a vague sort of socialism. Student teachers were told that we are "moving into a collectivist society" and the teachers should hurry it along.

American society outside of the schools was described as "outside vested interests." Teachers were urged to debunk most familiar American institutions, rule American history out of the schools, and "fight back" at parent and citizen groups in their school communities.

The American Legion, Rotary and other civic groups, and "businessmen" in general were singled out by name in Teachers College textbooks as "confused."

In 1938 a special job was done on the Legion. William Gellerman wrote a dissertation at Teachers College, sponsored by Prof. Counts, called *The American Legion as Educator.*

The book still stands on Teachers College shelves as one of a series called "Contributions to Education."

In it, Gellerman noted that the Legion had been founded in part by WW1 officers; that many Legionnaires were successful in private life; that businessmen were said to have helped finance the Legion in 1919; and that in 1938 the Legion was warning America to be prepared for an impending war with Japan, Germany and Italy and future conflicts with Russia.

From such "evidence" Gellerman concluded that the Legion was "fascist" and "militarist." He found the Legion incompetent to have a responsible voice in public affairs and urged the National Education Association to sever its relations with the Legion.

The book earned its author his Teachers College Ph.D. degree.

Such was the fantastic era that was climaxed by the Legion's public exposure of the Rugg books in 1941.

That whole story remains as a permanent object lesson in the vulnerability of our schools to the influence of a handful of purposeful men in positions of concentrated power and influence.

Only a small fraction of our school teachers, or teachers college faculties, ever seriously believed in the betrayal of public trust that was urged upon them by the little Teachers College coterie.

Yet the influence of that group over teachers' careers and professional standing was so great that its preaching held sway for more than ten years, while few teachers dared openly criticize it.

That lesson well illustrates why today The American Legion is opposed to any broad dependence of our public schools on federal funds.

Federal funds cannot be given to local schools without some degree of federal control — with more and more local school policies laid down by a bureau in Washington.

Federal control would greatly simplify the problems of any clique seeking to corrupt or pervert the schools. Such a clique would have but one bureau to infiltrate rather than 50 states and some 20,000 or more school systems.

Consider the speech of A. H. Lauchner — a school principal — which was published in the bulletin of the National Association of Secondary School Principals for March, 1951, as a contribution to improving our junior high schools.

"When we realize that not every child has to read, figure or spell . . . then we shall be on the road to improving the junior high school curriculum," he said. Reading is no more necessary to all children than "playing the violin" or making a pie, and "when adults realize that fact, everyone will be happier . . . and schools will be nicer places in which to live," he said.

Before we can get rid of the "stress" on reading and arithmetic "a lot of selling must take place." After that, Lauchner told his fellow principals, "the next step is to cut down the amount of time and attention devoted to these areas in general junior high school courses."

He praised a school that set one-fifth of its pupils doing "other things" when they were below standard in reading. "That's straight thinking," said Lauchner. He criticized schools which insist that all pupils know the multiplication tables before graduating from *9th grade!*

Fancy a handful of educators with such notions of "straight thinking" entrenched in a Washington bureau issuing regulations to turn your school and mine into illiteracy factories!

Such fears are not mere fancies, as the Teachers College "reach for power" scheme and the pronouncements of "educators" such as Lauchner remind us.

Today, after 40 years of devoted support of free public education, the Legion holds that it is better to fight our school problems out at home than to sell them out to bureaucracy. Not easier, perhaps, but better for our children, our teachers, our schools, our ideals of democratic education, and the future of our country.

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PRINCE ALBERT

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Since he is always careful to choose a seat in the middle of a row, he is able to step on the toes of and block the view of a maximum number of people, whether he goes right or left.

But he is very meticulous in his choice of toe-crunching and view-blocking journeys. He will only go on special occasions: e.g., when the bases are loaded; in the middle of a triple play; and in the ninth inning with a no-hitter going.

Like the SOPHISTICATE, he too attended the 1951 Giants-Dodgers playoff game. It was the most wonderful day he ever spent in his life. He ate seven hotdogs, three bags of peanuts, four candy bars, five hamburgers, two bags of popcorn, three ice cream cups, and drank nine bottles of pop.

He didn't see Bobby Thomson's historic home run because he had to leave the park in the eighth inning.

He didn't want to arrive home late for dinner.

Come, class, let's not dally. We must continue with our excursion. Oh, look. There on the street corner. That's a real live CORNER CRUSADER. You can always spot this bird by his loud sport shirt and the cigar — never lighted — that extends from his mouth.

While his habitat is usually the street corner, you can also find him in candy stores, billiard parlors, and bars.

He is a vociferous arguer, who will tackle any baseball topic imaginable, anything from a three-team trade to a comparison of the Athletics' bat boy with the Orioles'. He can go 15 hours at a stretch telling you why the Cubs' fungo bats are superior to the Braves'. But should he ever win you over to his way of thinking, look out! He'll switch sides just to keep the argument going.

He likes to punctuate his orations with figures, most of which he makes up himself. "What do you mean, Ruth always pulled the ball?" he'll say. "In 1929 he hit 312 foul balls into the left-field stands."

Should anyone question this statement, he shakes his head sadly and says in a tone of voice that indicates Babe Ruth's lifetime foul ball record is hanging on the wall of every post office in the country, "Don't take *my* word for it. Look it up."

Actually, whatever legitimate baseball information this bird has is gained from newspapers, usually by thumbing through the sports section while the paper is lying — unbought — on the shelf at the newsstand. Outside of a softball game he once umpired between the married men and the single men in a picnic in 1949, he has never seen a ball game in his life.

This bird is also a great humanitarian who is personally concerned about the living conditions and salaries of major leaguers. The most agonizing time of the year for him is the late winter and early spring, when players are talking contracts with club owners.

During one holdout siege by Mickey Mantle, he didn't sleep for a week. When Mantle finally signed for around $70,000, he came running red-eyed into the street, his ragged sweater unbuttoned, sobbing: "Oh, those cheapskate club owners! Mantle's worth every bit of 100 grand!"

So he spent the rest of the day collecting CARE packages for Mantle.

By the way, this bird makes $40 a week, when he's working.

Well, well, what have we here. Shh! Tread softly or he'll fly away. That's a genuine OLDTIMER. He's in his middle 60's and he always has a corncob pipe in his mouth. He is still living in the glorious past of baseball, and he comes to the park these days for one reason only: to sneer at modern players.

He's a notorious name dropper, and is probably the only man in the world who ever referred to the late distinguished baseball commissioner Kenesaw Mountain Landis as "Kenny."

He attends a doubleheader and sees Warren Spahn open the bill by pitching a 16-inning shutout. Then he gets infuriated. Why? Because Spahn isn't pitching the second game too. "You call that an arm!" he roars. "Can't even pitch a simple doubleheader like Matty used to do."

He sees Willie Mays steal second base and he mutters, "Big deal! Ty wouldn't have stopped at second. He would have gone all the way around."

So Mays steals third and on the next pitch slides safely home. He comes back with, "*Anybody* can slide feet first! Pepper always slid on his belly. And do you see any dust out there? After Pepper slid, the field looked like a Sahara sandstorm."

His pet peeve is the lively ball. "Jackrabbits!" he cries. "They ain't balls. They're jackrabbits!"

Ted Williams lines one 495 feet into the last row of the center-field bleachers. He sniffs sarcastically. "In my day that'd been a pop-up to Walter in the pitcher's box."

This bird is quite an active writer. He knocks off 20 letters a week to Ford Frick asking him to bring back the spitball and to banish relief pitchers from organized baseball.

He also draws up petitions to have night baseball abolished.

When asked why, he says solemnly: "Abner wouldn't have wanted it."

My, my, things are really humming. Look over there. That's a STATISTICIAN. You can always spot him by the row of 16 colored scorecard pencils in his breast pocket and the portable radio he carries on his shoulder, next to his ear.

This bird usually sits in a front row box and has 20-20 vision, but he *must* listen to the game on the radio also. If he had an outlet, he'd bring along his portable TV set too.

Throughout the afternoon he writes furiously on his scorecard, changing pencils frequently, going from red to blue to green, and so on. He uses mystic symbols, a cross between Egyptian hieroglyphics and the scratching on a doctor's prescription. He makes notations of everything that takes place on the field, including infield warmups and the position of the players during the playing of the national anthem.

It is the sixth inning and you lean over to ask him what Musial did in the third. He clutches his scorecard quickly to his breast and looks at you suspiciously as if to say: "What are *you* doing here at Cape Canaveral?" And then, shielding his scorecard carefully from you and other Russian agents, he checks the third inning box for Musial. There he sees the following: A blue circle, a red line, a green cross, a large V, a small 9, two stars, and a pair of purple parentheses. He clears his throat and begins to recite: "In the third inning Musial took a ball, low and inside, fouled one off the umpire's mask, stepped out to rub dirt on his hands, spat twice, took a ball high and outside, called time to talk to the manager, fouled another pitch off splitting his bat, got a new bat, and singled to right."

He pauses and then adds, "Oh, I almost forgot, he stumbled momentarily when he crossed the bag."

Did you ever wonder what this bird does with his scorecard when the game is over? He takes it home, insures it with Lloyds of London, and locks it in a vault with 653 others.

A few years ago one of his scorecards accidentally fell into the hands of a world renowned decoding expert, a man who among other things helped in the translation of the Dead Sea Scrolls. The expert studied the scorecard for three weeks and gave up.

Well, let's move along. We still have lots of ground to cover. Wait, do you see what *I* see? Why, certainly. That's a LADYBIRD.

For the past 10 years her husband has been watching baseball on the living room television set. It is only natural that some of it has rubbed off on her. And now she and eight of her girl friends

attend Ladies Day games regularly.

On certain days, when the ball parks are filled, you may not always be able to see her; but you can hear her. She shrieks and screams with vigor.

Not indiscriminately, mind you. Only during important game situations. For example, when a player hits a foul over the first base stands, when the bat boy runs up to the umpire with a new supply of baseballs, and when the groundskeepers manicure the infield in the fourth inning.

She often confuses baseball with other sports, which she also knows little about. And it's not unusual to hear her yelling, "We want a touchdown! We want a basket! Come on, team, knock him out!"

She has all of baseball's vital statistics at her fingertips: the height and weight of good-looking ball players, their marital status, and where their wives shop when they're in town.

While she doesn't understand the first thing about baseball, there is only one thing which she *admits* mystifies her: How all those players can appear together on a field wearing the *same* clothes.

But enough of this specimen. Let's walk on. Now here's some rare fortune. Look over there in the first base stands. That's a genuine RETRIEVER. You can spot him in an instant. He's a boy in the 9 to 13 age bracket who comes to the ball park with a huge catcher's mitt or at times a first baseman's glove. Sometimes he also carries a catcher's mask.

He couldn't care less about the ball game. He comes for just one reason: to catch a foul ball.

Since the odds against a ball coming to him are about 50,000 to 1, he is one of the world's greatest optimists. He sits between innings rubbing oil into the pocket of the glove and kneading it carefully. When the pitcher goes into his windup, this bird leans forward tensely in his seat and pounds the mitt furiously.

Why does he need the mask? you may ask. I'll explain.

Every few innings or so a ball will land somewhere within 25 yards of his seat. He leaps out of his chair like a missile blasting off, sprints in the direction of the baseball, and then dives into the pack of arms and legs that are battling for the horsehide.

The mask? A perfect weapon. Bam! Bam! On their unprotected heads and other parts of their anatomy, his opponents feel its cold steel.

He has attended more than 400 games in his life, at a total ticket cost of about $1,000. In April 1958, during a particularly bloody free-for-all, he finally managed to come up with a ball, worth about $3.

In September 1958, when the broken bone in his leg had healed and his arm was out of a cast, he played catch with his brother for 10 minutes, before the ball rolled down a sewer.

Well, we're just about at the end of our little journey. But there is one other specimen I'd like to point out to you. Oh, there he is. See that wild-eyed bird there, waving a hip flask. That's an authentic EXHIBITIONIST.

He's going to take one swig out of his flask. That's all. Then bar the doors!

Have you ever sat in a ball park and all of a sudden seen two or more people flailing away at each other with their fists? It happens at least once a game in every stadium in the country.

Did you ever wonder who starts these fights? This guy does.

He never lands any blows, of course. That's not the purpose of grandstand fights. They're simply to attract attention, and this bird is a master at it. He usually selects a guy sitting next to him who is at least a head shorter than he; or if he can't find such a man, a woman. And then he starts punching away, making sure his blows land on the loose part of clothing or in the air.

How does he learn to do this so well? His brother teaches him; *he's* a professional hockey player.

When the "fight" is over and he has eluded the police who want to eject him from the park, he makes his way to the lower box railing, leaps over the railing, and picks up a batted ball on the field. But — and here he is very careful — only a ball in play, never a foul ball.

If he has still evaded the guards and stadium police, he makes his next move. A quick dash across the diamond, out to the center fielder to get an autograph.

The off-season is very difficult for this bird. But he keeps from getting rusty by attending football games. There at opportune moments he runs out on the field and attempts to tackle breakaway runners on their way for touchdowns.

In truth he's really not a bad bird. He's happily married to a sweet wife and owns his own home. But he has no children. He can't tolerate kids: They're always getting into trouble.

Well, class, I believe that does it. We have just examined nine of the commonest species of American Baseball Fan Birds. I want you to study everything you learned, because next week you're going to be tested.

Oh, before we break up, there is just one more specimen I would like to point out to you. He is a WRITER-INSTRUCTOR Bird. He is 33 years old and he spends all his time watching baseball fans in action and writing and talking about them. If he had any sense he would be relaxing instead, watching a baseball game.

He is perhaps the strangest bird of all. You're looking at him right now.

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in enriching their products (Easi-Bild Pattern Co., Pleasantville, N. Y.). Apply such trim as a frame around a drawer front, or about an inch in from the drawer edges. The trim pattern can be repeated on the cabinet sides, but don't go overboard on it. Molding trim is rich seasoning, and for the most tasteful results only a little is needed.

Miter the molding at corners, just like a picture frame. Use a powersaw for accuracy, or a miter box if you're working with handtools. Apply the molding with glue and brads. Predrill holes in hardwood to avoid splitting. Prefinish the molding if it is to be applied over an already-finished surface.

A change of texture and material in the panel enclosed by a molding can be very effective. Some excellent materials for the purpose are those sold at radio and TV supply stores for use in front of loudspeakers. Table place mats, of woven straw or other material, may be suitable for your purpose. Various perforated and expanded metal sheets, in almost endless design, are available. Hardware cloth, sprayed with gold paint, may be useful; or you may wish to employ a real brass grille. Whichever you select, fix it in place with the molding. Brass beadings and bandings, available from hardware specialty stores (like Wm. Hunrath Co., 763 Third Ave., New York 17, N. Y.) may give you other decorative ideas.

There are many things you can do with an unfinished bookcase to make it serve you better. In the bathroom use mirrors as sliding panels, and you can convert an inexpensive bookcase into a really spacious wall medicine cabinet at low cost. Stack a bookcase atop a base chest, and the combination can serve effectively as a china cabinet.

With a continuous hinge, attach a ¾-inch plywood leaf to one section of a bookcase, and it becomes a fold-down desk. Brace the fold-down panel with a hardware item called a "lid support," and add a lock to serve as a latch. An antique or period escutcheon around the keyhole (from antique shop or cabinetmaker) may be a welcome custom touch. For greater convenience, divide the inside of the desk section with your own preferred arrangement of pigeonholes, constructed of easily worked ½-inch pine.

If your bookcase isn't high enough for a desk, make it serve by hanging it on the wall at the required height. Screw through the back of the bookcase into wall studs, or attach it to plaster with toggle bolts. In the latter case add a 1 x 2-inch supporting cleat just under the cabinet.

Hanging a cabinet on the wall has many advantages. The unit doesn't take up floor space, it's easy to clean under, and it can be placed at the height that's most convenient for best use. Support an 18-inch cabinet so that its top is 28 to 30 inches off the floor, and it can serve as a counter, desk, or working surface. With the trend toward an off-the-floor look, hanging a plain unit on the wall may be all that's required to convert it to a smartly styled piece.

A simple way of making a desk whose good looks will belie its modest cost is by supporting a door on a base made of two cabinets. It can also be made with one cabinet, the other end supported by a leg or a wall. Doors in many sizes are available in birch, Philippine mahogany, and other woods at prices as low as $5. If you can't find the size you require, cut the door down to fit. If you cut into the door's hollow core, conceal that side against the wall or fill it in with a wood strip.

"Things were okay until those Russian kids started to do their homework!"
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An important advantage of unfinished furniture over the factory-finished variety is that it is so readily adaptable to fit exact space or particular needs. Units are easily joined together to function as one, or extended for added utility. A cabinet that's too deep can be given better proportions by adding a series of shelves above it.

To support shelves above a base cabinet, you can use 1-inch dowels. Glue them in 1-inch recesses drilled in the base top. Where the dowels pass through shelves, fix them securely in place by drilling a ¼-inch hole through the side of the shelf into the dowel and inserting a glue-coated peg. Shelves above a base are useful for plants, books, china, or, in a bathroom, for stacking towels.

Units are also easily extended in other directions. Starting with one or more small base cabinets, it takes little time or skill to extend shelving on either side, or to add shelving between them to achieve a custom-made, built-to-size look. An excellent arrangement is to extend cabinetwork of this type around a corner, and/or to hang the entire unit on the wall.

Cleats on the sides of the cabinets can be used to support in-between sections. Similar cleats can be used as support, if needed, at the rear of the shelves. Plan on a trim piece 1½ inches wide across shelf fronts to make the members look thick and substantial, and to help conceal supporting cleats. Where shelving spans are more than 30 inches, and otherwise unsupported, use intermediate dividers to eliminate the possibility of sagging.

To give continuity to the joined sections and unify them as a single article of furniture, cover their tops with a single sheet of Formica or a comparable material. Formica is easily worked and applied, comes in a tremendous variety of beautiful colors, patterns, and realistic wood grains. Its finish is permanent, wipes clean, resists abuse of all kinds.

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Cut this laminated plastic with a fine-tooth saw, good face up, or with your powersaw. Apply it with contact bond cement, following the simple directions on the can. Edges can be trimmed smooth with a flat file or Surform.

For an inexpensive finish, investigate the possibilities of new self-adhesive plastic coverings. These, too, come in a variety of colors and patterns and in unusual 3-dimensional effects, such as quilted, bamboo, woven straw, and real metals. Application is merely a matter of peeling off the protective backing and pressing the material in place. But be sure the surface being finished is absolutely smooth, for imperfections will show through. Matching tapes are available for whichever design or color you choose, and these can be used in covering wood edges.

Real marble is now available in tiles half an inch thick. They are readily applied with a special adhesive, and they make an extremely luxurious tabletop insert or covering. For a desk top, perhaps you would prefer a covering of real leather tiles. One of the handsomest of these is of pigskin. Or you can stretch leather, real or simulated, across a desk top and fasten it at the edges with a molding strip.

Study examples of expensive, well-made furniture, and you will quickly discover the details in which they excel. In many cases you can readily imitate or simulate their superior features. One thing you will note about drawers in quality furniture is that they are compartmented or divided. Drawers are greatly improved with dividers. They are much easier to keep neat and orderly, and the problem of finding what you want is largely eliminated.

In quality furniture a buffet drawer may be designed for holding silver, and be lined with special tarnish-resisting cloth. A chest drawer may be partitioned to accommodate shirts, socks, underwear. A separate tray insert in one drawer may be designed for holding small items, such as cuff links, collar stays, garters.

You can go this quality furniture one better; for you can provide the same type of partitioning, and design it specifically to fit your own belongings and your exact needs.

First, spread out the things you want to store in the drawer, then make a scale drawing of the best arrangement to accommodate them. Dividers are readily made of ½-inch pine, and they can be lifted out for painting, drawer cleaning, etc. You can make the divider come flush with the top of the drawer, but in most cases the fit will be neater if you drop it about half an inch lower.

Parts of the divider can be simply butted together and fastened with glue and nails (fourpenny finishing nails are a good size). If you have a powersaw, or can work accurately with handtools, you may wish to rabbet joints, that is, recess a member one-eighth inch where it joins another. These joints are both stronger and better looking than butted joints. To make a rabbet by hand, use a fine-tooth saw to make parallel cuts one-half inch apart and one-eighth inch deep, and chisel out the excess. A hacksaw and a miter box will help you work accurately.

As you proceed, fit the pieces you cut into the drawer, and you will be less likely to make a mistake with your dimensions. For example, to allow for the thickness of front and back members, side pieces will have to be cut 1 inch less than the front-to-back distance. Cross pieces in the middle of the drawer will have to be cut three-quarters of an inch less, to make allowance both for rabbeting and side members. If your wood has knots, turn them to face sides where they will not show.

Where divider members cross each other, cut a slot halfway through each. Cut the slot from the top down in the lower member, and from the bottom up in the upper member. Cut the slots in the lower member first. Position it in the drawer, and then you can easily mark where the matching slots must be cut in the crossing piece. Before finishing the divider, sand down objectionable sharp edges.

Even if your unpainted furniture comes "sanded, ready for finishing," it's advisable to give it a careful going over just to be sure. Remove drawers and pulls. Work in good light. Start with a fine 3/0 paper, sanding with the grain. Use a sanding block or a power sander. Never sand with the fingers to get a spot out; it will make a depression which will show up glaringly in the finished surface.

Complete the sanding with very fine 6/0 paper, going with the grain. Dust the piece with a cloth slightly moistened with turpentine or mineral spirits. Never dust with your paintbrush. If you don't sand carefully and don't dust, you'll end up with a gritty, cheap finish.

Most unpainted furniture is pine or birch and doesn't need a wood filler before varnishing, painting, or lacquering. You may wish to use a color-toned sealer, such as Rez. Follow manufacturer's directions exactly. If the stain raises grain, sand with very fine paper afterward. If you prefer, stain and sealer may be applied in separate coats. Don't sand through the sealer, but be sure the entire surface is dull.

Before applying varnish, make certain that surfaces are absolutely clean and dust-free. Use a clean brush, preferably a new one; a 1½- or 2-inch brush is best for most work. Allow coats to dry thoroughly and sand lightly between coats. If you want a dull satin finish, sand with wet extra-fine paper after the last coat. For a semigloss finish, use wet superfine paper. These are papers made especially for use when wet. For a high gloss finish, rub a semigloss finish with special furniture-rubbing compound or with rottenstone and rubbing oil mixed to cake-batter consistency. A good job requires much rubbing.

Enamel offers an opportunity to use color for decorative effect. You may wish to paint sliding panels or drawers in contrasting or harmonizing colors. An effective procedure is to paint insides of cabinets or drawers with a complementary color.

A standard procedure in painting is to seal the surface with shellac, smooth with very fine sandpaper, and apply an undercoat. After 24 hours, sand smooth and apply the finish coat. Always remember: multiple light coats are preferable to heavy coats, and always sand lightly between coats. A paper so smooth it hardly seems to have any grit at all is best.

To do finishing easier, faster, and better, borrow or rent a paint sprayer. It is simpler to use than a brush. You can apply several thin coats quickly and get a finish exactly like that a furniture factory would provide. And why not? The factory uses a sprayer too. THE END

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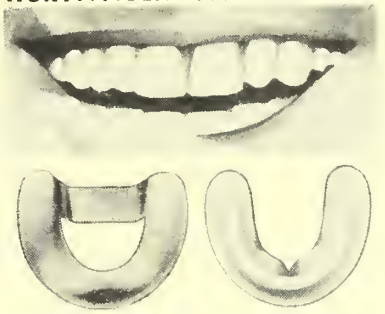

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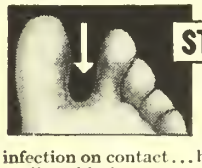

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some others, of course, did not contest the Passport Office's denial, and undoubtedly many active communists never bothered to apply at all, knowing they would be scrutinized and required to make a sworn statement about Communist Party membership.

I believe it is important to remember these figures when statements are made about the "arbitrary" action of the Department in passport matters.

Much of the meaning of even the very few but very important refusals became academic, of course, in June 1958, when the Supreme Court's ruling was handed down. Since then, as we anticipated, there has been a flood of applications from persons with records of communist affiliations or activities. Some of them had previously been denied passports, but many had never previously applied. Many we know a great deal about, but the Department of State is no longer in a position even to inquire, much less investigate, whether any such applicant is a Communist Party member or how dangerous he may be. There is quite a difference, for example, between a known courier and a relatively harmless fellow traveler.

This flood of applications continues today. The communists are getting passports while they can. Naturally, in all these cases the Department's previous policy has had to give way and passports have been issued to all these people.

Immediately following the Supreme Court decision, Secretary Dulles sent Congress a draft bill to provide the specific legislative authority which the Court held was lacking. He wrote to the Congress:

"I think there can be no doubt in anyone's mind that we are today engaged for survival in a bitter struggle against the International Communist Movement. . . . [This] Movement seeks everywhere to thwart United States foreign policy. It seeks on every front to influence foreign governments and peoples against the United States and eventually by every means, including violence, to encircle the United States and subordinate us to its will. The issuance of United States passports to supporters of that Movement facilitates their travel to and in foreign countries. It clothes them when abroad with all the dignity and protection that our Government affords. Surely, our Government should be in a position to deny passports to such persons."

President Eisenhower urgently endorsed the legislation, saying: "Each day and week that passes without it exposes us to great danger."

What must such legislation do?

Again, the President has expressed it well. He said:

"In exercising these necessary limitations on the issuance of passports, the executive branch is greatly concerned with seeing to it that the inherent rights of American citizens are preserved. Any limitations on the right to travel can only be tolerated in terms of overriding requirements of our national security, and must be subject to substantive and procedural guaranties."

Simply stated, what we need is legislative authority which will allow the Secretary of State to deny passports to hard-core supporters of the international communist movement. We believe such denial should occur under due process of law, including judicial review.

We do *not* seek statutory passport authority to stifle criticism of this Government or its policies. We do *not* believe that the passport should or can be used to restrict the movement of people who hold political, social, or economic opinions which are not of the orthodox American variety.

We do *not* seek or want authority to deny passports to any whose travel or activity abroad is merely an embarrassment to our country. I believe that the United States is strong enough to survive embarrassment if we must.

Neither do we wish to penalize loyal Americans who at one time, before the nature of the communist conspiracy became as crystal clear as it is today, may have sympathized with communist theories or even belonged to communist organizations in this country.

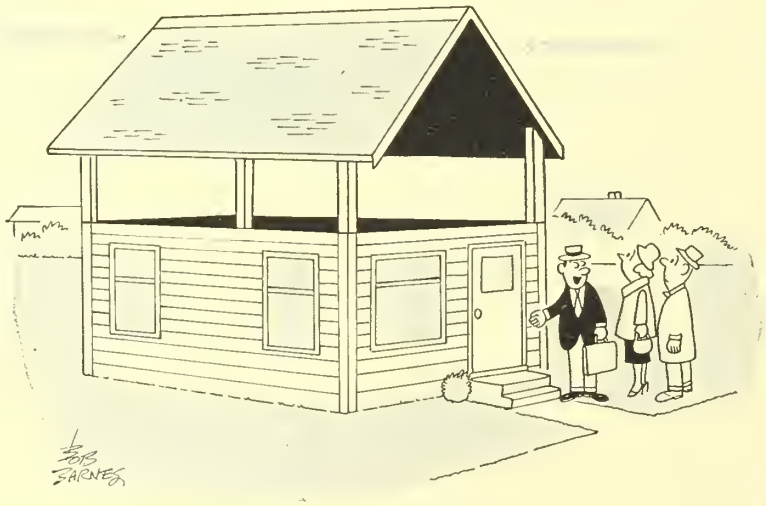
All we seek, and what I feel we must have, is the capacity to protect ourselves by denying passports to those relatively few hard-core, active communist supporters who are not ordinary American citizens and whose travel abroad constitutes a *danger* to the United States.

In the case of passports "due process" means that the Secretary of State cannot be arbitrary or capricious but must have sound reasons for restricting an individual's right to exit. It means that he must tell the individual the reasons for his action in sufficient detail and under such circumstances that the individual may have an opportunity to show the reasons untrue. Such circumstances should include a full hearing and review within the Department of State and ultimately, of course, the right which now exists to appeal to the courts.

There is one other essential of passport legislation which is much misunderstood, and that is the necessity for the Government to be able to utilize confidential information as part of the basis of its decision.

I can say bluntly that any legislation concerning denial of passports to communist supporters would be meaningless and would not achieve any purpose if it prohibited the Government from utilizing confidential information. Almost without exception, dangerous cases involving communism also involve confidential information and investigative sources. Indeed, the more recent and meaningful our information is, the more likely it is that it has come from current confidential investigative sources within the communist movement.

The Government has a legitimate and overriding interest in maintaining the security of these investigative sources and methods. If faced with the unpalat-



"This is the slightly lower-cost model we advertised with the unfinished attic."

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able choice of exposing and thereby destroying a valuable and continuing source of information about the activities of the communist conspiracy or issuing a passport to an individual member of that conspiracy, the Government has no alternative but reluctantly to issue the passport as the lesser evil.

Some people feel that the use of confidential information in such cases means using vague and unsubstantial gossip or allegation that will not stand the light of day. This is nonsense. In the first place, if one is prepared to believe that the Secretary of State, who must personally decide passport appeals cases, would actually base a considered decision upon anything less than substantial and corroborated evidence, then one must believe that our country's security is in far greater danger than from the capricious denial of passports. In the second place, confidential information is almost always a small part of any total case, although usually essential because of the clear proof it provides. Most of every case can be fully and publicly disclosed.

Beyond this, however, we believe, based on a careful review of the communist cases we have had in the past, that in every case the Government can provide a fair summary of even the confidential information, both to the applicant and to the courts. Such a fair summary would include all the pertinent reasons for which the passport is denied and would exclude only those details required to protect confidential sources of information.

I would have no objection to any legislation requiring the Government in all cases to provide such a fair summary of the content of any confidential information relied upon.

One other thing should be clear. What we are talking about is *not* a criminal proceeding in which someone is being tried or punished for past actions. Instead, it is an administrative process which attempts to predict someone's future course of action, if he travels abroad, and to balance its potential danger to the United States against the desirability of facilitating the travel and giving him protection while he is performing it. These are services which the Government should extend to its citizens, but they are not inviolable rights which the individual can demand no matter what the menace to society may be.

Even having said this, however, much about this subject remains repugnant to Americans. The use of "confidential information" in *any* kind of proceeding, judicial or not, and indeed any sort of governmental restriction, whether on travel or passports or any other activity of the individual—these are things which we will never like and which, I hope, we never accept apathetically.

Here, however, I believe we must face squarely one fact which is inherent in every aspect of the subject of passports and travel restrictions: That is, that our Nation, although not technically at war, assuredly is not at peace. We face, almost on a daily basis, actual threats to our national security and to our very existence which very clearly are the equal of any threats we have ever faced in peace or war. One need only think of the implications of Berlin today or the countless crises of the past decade to realize how perilous our situation is.

This uneasy condition of "not peace, not war" is something entirely new to our experience. It places a tremendous strain upon our governmental and constitutional institutions, for it blurs lines which had previously been considered sharp and clear.

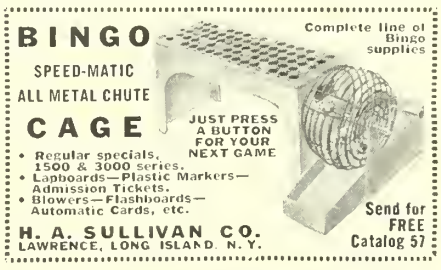
It used to be that when our Nation was not at war it was truly at peace. Certain rules obtained and governed our lives in peacetime. These rules were evolved over a century and a half by and for a free people who since the earliest days of their history had been faced by no serious external threat to their freedom or their national existence. Occasionally war came, and there was a clear line of demarcation. War was declared and waged with certain formalities. During wartime certain special rules obtained because the Nation temporarily required the subordination of individual desires to the overall national effort. These special rules, while repugnant, were considered tolerable for the limited duration of the war. When the war was over, other prescribed formalities occurred; the Nation was at peace again, and the special wartime rules, which were usually incompatible with complete constitutional freedom, were dropped.

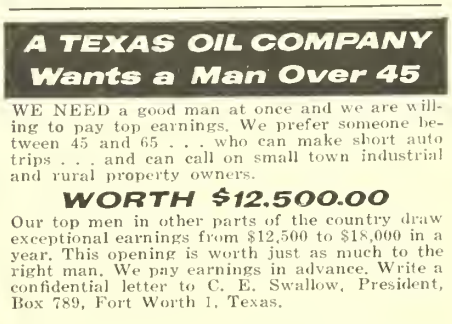
This sharp demarcation between peace and war does not exist today. International communism has thrown away the rule book. It does not consider itself ever at peace. It is always totally mobilized to advance its aim of world domination. It does not recognize any of the accepted rules of international or legal or human conduct except when, and only for as long as, those rules may suit its purpose.

This situation creates an unprecedented threat both to our liberty and to our very existence. Our response must include a recognition of these changed circumstances, or we risk the loss of existence and liberty together.

The threat, moreover, will continue to exist, perhaps for many years in the future. This makes it imperative that whatever response we do adopt must be one that we can indefinitely sustain and without endangering the strength or the integrity of our basic and cherished institutions which we are seeking to protect.

I believe that such a response is possible to a free people. I believe that our





institutions – our Constitution, our laws, and our form of government – are strong enough and flexible enough to adjust to these changed circumstances, just as they have adjusted to changes in the past.

I have tried to illustrate what I mean by suggesting, in the limited but important field of passport policy, a procedure which meets these criteria. It meets, I believe, the most pressing requirements of national security. It does so by law and under the Constitution. I think, for the reasons I have given, that adequate passport legislation is essential to our security. But let me be very clear. I do not believe that such legislation will eliminate all the dangers which we face from the communist conspiracy or even all those which it is intended to counter.

I do believe that adequate passport legislation is a necessary and integral part of the screen of weapons we have raised against the conspiracy and that it will seriously cripple the effectiveness of that conspiracy.

I do believe, finally, that all our weapons together, wisely and effectively used, will contain the internal menace of the communist conspiracy within tolerable limits while our military strength deters its worldwide menace and our foreign policy seeks to replace its threat with a just and durable peace. THE END

THE LONE BOMBER OF RABAUL

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swished her tail at him, he said, "Well, hell!"

He released the brakes. *Beautiful Girl* fell into line.

The lead ship paused at the head of the coral runway. Her engines blasted briefly, then faded. She lined up and started to roll. Other engines ran up and died down.

Cook braked *Beautiful Girl*.

If one man flew a 25 to Rabaul and *didn't* come back, what would *that* prove? And what difference would it make to him *what* that proved?

"If they run up OK, I'll go," he told himself. They might not run up OK.

He ran up the engines.

OK.

He pulled onto the runway behind the 11th ship.

This was crazy! What was he doing here?

He hesitated – and planes thundered over his head!

Japs!

He slammed the throttles forward. He raced down the runway, after his squadron. The sounds of bombs and gunfire sank into the night behind him.

He climbed to Sector 3 and rendezvoused with his element, as right wingman. Ahead and beside him, phosphorescent wing stars glowed secretively on the other 25's. Clouds spotted the sky above and obscured the sea below. He took off his Mae West long enough to slip into his A-2 jacket. It'd be cool at altitude.

The squadron climbed, picking its way among rumbling and flashing cloud towers. They always built up at night, and they always meant trouble. The higher the squadron climbed, the taller the towers grew. Forty minutes from the target most of the weather seemed below and behind. A row of clouds loomed ahead over New Ireland like one final hurdle.

Cook estimated the squadron's altitude, compared to the tops of the clouds. He prepared to alter course, but the squadron leader bore straight on. The clouds waited, lightning knifing through them.

Then suddenly they weren't waiting. They were closing fast. They grabbed *Beautiful Girl* and bounced her hard, in a world turned dirty dark. Rain pounded his windshield. The rest of the squadron disappeared. When would one of them reel into him?

He shoved the control column forward and turned the wheel hard right. The rain stopped and the sea came back in sight. He leveled off and started to breathe again.

Where were the rest? There wasn't a 25 in sight. Below him, New Ireland's bony arm bent protectively, guarding Rabaul beyond.

He'd meet them at the target area. They were bound to get through. It'd be silly to get this far and not go on in.

North along the New Ireland coast. West across New Britain, well south of Rabaul. No other aircraft. Where were they? He kept his head on a swivel, looking for aircraft on a collision course. Was he late?

Southwest of Rabaul, he swung north. Might as well go on in.

The city's few careless lights winked at him. "Don't be silly," they said. "You know what's waiting here for you. You're all alone. Abort. The weather gives you a perfect excuse. Don't try it."

"Well, I'm not going home with a loaded bomb bay," he muttered.

He cut the throttles and tipped the 25 over into a steep dive. There was Lakunai, through the clouds. He came abeam and turned right, alone in a whistling world of wind.

He checked everything. Maybe he could make a second pass for strafing. He undershot Lakunai, and turned back on Keravat. Hands on the throttles, he watched the treetops east of the field rush toward him.

OK, Cook, you said a 25 doesn't need six men. Prove it!

Now!

He slammed the throttles forward and locked. He leveled off, on the deck. He hit the bomb toggle switch. One light blinked out on the bombing panel. One away. He hit the switch again, methodically. Two away. Again, again, again.

A necklace of para-frags tumbled out of the 25's belly, floating down on the Jap revetments and flight line streaking past. Jap guns chattered and snarled and barked. Jap searchlights flicked on and poked around jerkily.

Westward on the coast, more searchlights flashed on, fingering around confidently, waiting to pin him in their glare for the coastal guns as he came out.

Keep cool. Space 'em out so they'll do the most damage. He glanced at the bombing panel. Two to go. One to go. All away!

Get the bomb bay doors shut. He hit the switch, heard the doors whine up. Now, evade!

He stood the 25 on its right wing to wheel northeast, away from the deadly coast. A shell slammed into the copilot's seat. All his instrument lights blacked out. He jerked the trouble light out of his safety belt for a quick look.

Everything seemed all right.

He dropped the light in his lap and aimed the 25 through the northern hills west of the city. Behind him, Jap gunfire petered out, but he still could hear his bombs whump holes in Keravat airdrome.

He could imagine Jap pilots scrambling to their aircraft. They'd be after him. *Beautiful Girl* seemed to respond OK. He'd soon know.

He pushed her over a cliff onto the shaggy gray carpet of ocean, pouring on the coal. He avoided Simpson Harbor, and ran for home.

Then, he worried. He leaned against the window to search the sky above and behind. They'd couldn't have been that surprised. Some of them must be coming after him. And he'd never know until their bullets caught up.

Maybe a 25 didn't need six men; but this 25 needed a top turret gunner now, to watch and protect the rear.

He hugged the deck, so low it seemed he could drag his hand in the South Pacific. He listened – as though he'd be able to hear sounds of pursuit. He looked back often. He hoped. He prayed. He flew fast–and thought about the weather ahead.

Turning the southern corner of New Ireland, he found it, right where the squadron broke up coming in. It

stretched for miles, two walls of cloud forming a corridor. Was it his imagination, or were those walls closing in?

It'd be suicide to try to go under that stuff on the deck. One downdraft and he'd be swimming. If he tried to climb over the top, would any Japs chasing him catch up?

He aimed the 25 down the corridor. He checked his heading. Stirling lay dead ahead. But if he had to alter course —

He glanced at the hole in the right side. Engineering would want an explanation. How would he write it up?

"I always thought there were too many men crewing a 25; so last night when my crew didn't show up . . ."

That was one explanation he wouldn't give — if he made it back. But he'd give one. He'd have to. No chance now to park the aircraft and walk away, with no one the wiser. He'd better have a story, and a good one.

No Japs came up. When dawn broke, the weather dissipated. It was clearing and hot when he touched down at Stirling and followed a parking jeep to the revetment area. As he shut off the engines, a refueling truck pulled up.

Wearily, he started to fill in the Form 1. Under "Crew" he printed his name, rank, and serial number — and hesitated. He stared out the window briefly, then put away the Form 1, and climbed out the hatch.

The gas truck driver nodded toward the hole in *Beautiful Girl's* side. "Look at that gash!" he said. When no one else followed Cook to the ground, the driver asked, "Where's the rest?"

"I'm the only one." Cook noticed a jeep crossing the field in a hurry.

"The only one alive?"

"The only one aboard."

The truck driver looked around uneasily, much like an innocent bystander suddenly involved with a madman.

The oncoming jeep slid to a stop.

"Colonel's looking for you, Cookie," called the driver — the navigator who had made the briefing run up from the Russells. "You're going to catch hell. The mission aborted and landed 3 hours ago, and he's pawing the ground to get home. What gives with the torn-up 25?"

"That's a souvenir of Rabaul."

"It's a what? Where you been?"

Cook explained.

The navigator shook his head. "You might as well hang up the strap. They're going to throw the book at you, lieutenant. In the meantime, let us get the hell over to the aircraft."

They raced off.

Behind them, the gas truck driver walked across the wing and peered through the window into the pilot's compartment. Then he climbed down to the ground and up through the hatch, and searched the aircraft.

When he climbed out again, his eyes were round with wonder.

On the flight line, the colonel stomped back and forth in the hot sun. A jeep raced up to the colonel's 25 and came to a screeching halt. Lieutenants Cook and Brittain, the navigator, leaped out.

"Where the hell have you been, Cook?" the colonel demanded.

"Sorry, sir."

"The mission landed three hours ago!"

"Sorry, sir. No excuse, sir."

"Weather forced them back. One plane didn't even get off the ground. Pilot cut his foot diving in a foxhole. What the hell are you staring at, Brittain?"

"Nothing, sir." Brittain stopped staring at Cook.

"Well get the hell in the aircraft!"

"Yes, sir!" Brittain scrambled through the hatch. As Cook followed the colonel forward, Brittain watched him, and shook his head admiringly.

The colonel found out the next day, when 75th Group Intelligence and Operations started asking questions about *Beautiful Girl*. The colonel tried to keep the story on his island, so 13th Headquarters wouldn't think he couldn't control his men; but the story was too good to keep.

Two weeks later, 13th Headquarters summoned 2d Lt. Cook to Guadalcanal to explain his "unauthorized and ill-advised" adventure. The commanding general shook his hand in private and tut-tutted in public.

A month later, 13th Headquarters issued a promotion, over men much longer in grade, for Jim Cook, the man who proved his theory the hard way — the lone bomber of Rabaul. THE END

"I'm a little worried about my collateral. Are you sure she's getting plenty to eat?"

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WE ARE KILLING OUR FEET

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in the legs and back. Socks should always be worn one-half inch longer than the longest toe.

Proportionately, the feet have more sweat glands than any other part of the body. Therefore excessive perspiration can really be a problem. While it is not wise to shut off the flow of perspiration by using astringents, there are several things one can do to alleviate perspiration.

Openwork shoes provide the best relief, but they can be worn only seasonally in most sections of the country, and there is a danger that an openwork shoe may not provide adequate support. Replacement of rubber soles with leather soles will help, and the selection of cloth linings over leather will do some good. However, the single best way to get relief from excessive perspiration is to wear a sock that will provide a high degree of porosity and absorption and will dry quickly when dampened.

There are not a great deal of satisfactory yarns from which to choose. Manmade fibers are generally poor in the ability to absorb and evaporate moisture. Mixtures of manmade and natural fibers rank extremely low in their absorptive capacity compared with, say, socks of ordinary durene mercerized cotton. Woolen socks have excellent absorptive capacities, but they retain moisture too long and are not nearly so porous as durene yarns.

The bulk of a sock has a great bearing upon foot comfort and the incidence of foot ailments. Instead of providing a cushioning effect, bulky socks occupy more room in the shoe and tend to produce irritations of the feet as well as corns and calluses. In tests by the National Foot Health Council, these ailments cleared up in a striking manner when a medium-weight sock of natural fiber was substituted for a bulky sock. Therefore bulky socks of combed or carded cotton are to be avoided as much as possible, as are wool socks and socks of heavyweight yarn blends.

Suppose you haven't taken care of your feet up to now, and they hurt. Aside from the proper selection of shoes and hosiery, what can you do about it?

Poor posture and poorly fitting shoes can shift the weight of the body onto

the bony parts of the feet. To redistribute the weight properly may involve the fitting of arch supports by a podiatrist or chiropodist.

Some doctors make plaster casts of the foot and fit plastic supports to correct the imbalance. Others make metal or leather into a support until the desired height and shape are achieved. Of course, being conscious of poor posture and taking pains to correct it can work wonders almost overnight.

One of the commonest sources of foot misery is the corn. A corn is nothing more than a mass of dead skin cells with a sensitive core. Corns are caused by excessive rubbing which results from tight or poorly fitting shoes, socks, or both. Cutting corns or using a corn remover does no real good in getting to the root of the problem and is dangerous. It is simply a postponement. The best home treatment for corns is plain adhesive plaster. While the plaster won't remove the corn, it will lessen pressure, and therefore the pain. If the corn sufferer will change to a well-fitting shoe and wear a medium-weight sock, the corn should disappear dramatically.

Ingrown toenails are another unnecessary nuisance; they are caused by wearing tight-fitting shoes and socks. By wearing a sock one-half inch longer than the longest toe, and by cutting the toenails straight across and not shorter than the flesh, ingrown toenails can be effectively prevented or cured.

Athlete's foot is another annoying problem. It is caused by a fungus which thrives in moisture and darkness. Sometimes athlete's foot can be so painful that one is unable to walk. Curing athlete's foot is a problem in keeping the foot dry. The feet should be washed daily and dried by rubbing briskly with a towel. And the feet, socks, and shoes should be dusted with powder. In the case of athlete's foot, it is extremely important to wear socks of absorbent and quick-drying yarn. Socks of wool and manmade fibers are again a poor choice to combat this fungus. Those of durene mercerized cotton are recommended.

More serious is the bunion. When toes are cramped by tight-fitting shoes and socks, the ends of the bones next to the toes — particularly the big toe — thicken. At times, the condition is serious enough to require surgery. If you have bunion problems, you should consult a chiropodist or podiatrist.

Most of our foot problems stem from improper care of the feet, lack of exercise, and our erect posture. Mankind has never got used to standing upright, and there isn't very much we can do about it at this date. We can, however, take better care of our feet and give them some exercise. Walking 3 to 5 miles a day wearing the proper kind of shoes and socks wouldn't harm a single pair of feet.

Also, the older we get, the smaller the blood vessels become and the harder it is for blood to circulate effectively through foot tissues. Contrast plunges — alternate dipping of the feet into hot and cold water — is a good method of stimulating the circulation. The feet should be immersed for a minute and a half in hot water followed by a half-minute in cold water. Do this for about half a dozen times.

The best remembered piece of advice I usually give for tired feet and poor circulation is to prop the feet up on a desk or table for 5 or 10 minutes.

This may cause your boss or your wife to raise an eyebrow, but it's doctor's orders. THE END

10 BASIC RULES FOR FOOT HEALTH

1. WASH FREQUENTLY. Bathe your feet at least once a day, dry them thoroughly, and use foot powder afterward.
2. CHANGE OFTEN. Never wear the same shoes two days in succession. Change socks or stockings at least once daily.
3. TRIM RIGHT. Cut your toenails straight across and not shorter than the flesh.
4. WEAR RIGHT. Wear shoes which have soles and uppers made of leather. And pick the right shoe for the right occasion.
5. FIT RIGHT. Be sure that your shoe is the proper size and is built on the proper last. And be sure that you wear the proper size of sock or stocking — half an inch longer than the longest toe.
6. EXERCISE. Limber up your feet at intervals — they have muscles too. Wiggle your toes.
7. KEEP DRY. Don't get your feet needlessly wet, and don't let them stay wet from perspiration. For best perspiration absorption, wear a durene mercerized cotton sock.
8. WALK RIGHT. Cultivate good posture and give your feet proper support.
9. DON'T NEGLECT. Examine your own feet and your children's feet at frequent intervals to guard against ailments.
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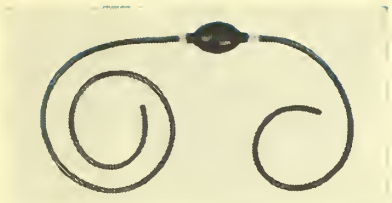

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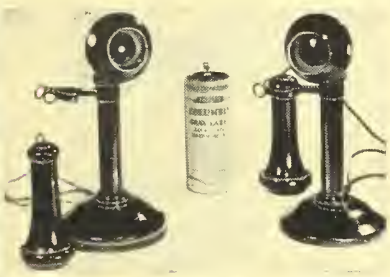

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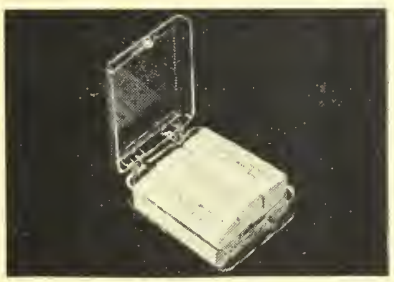

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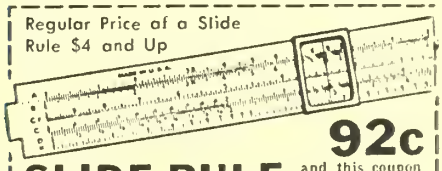

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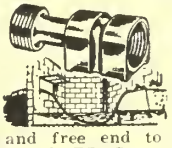

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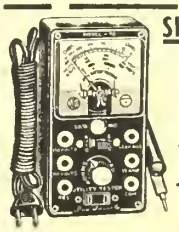

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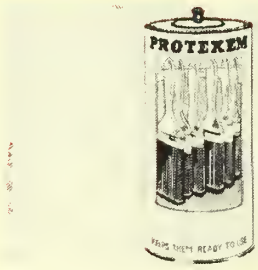

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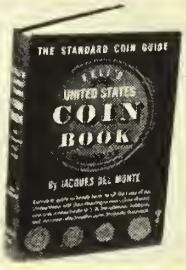

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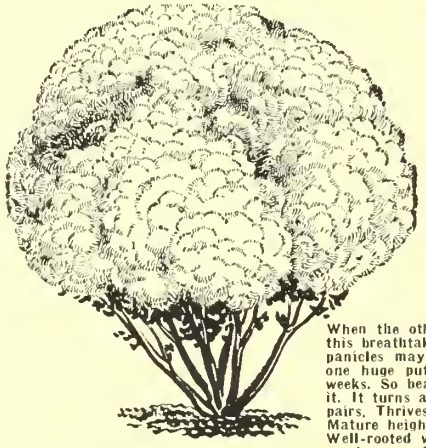

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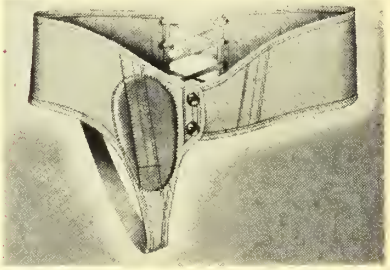

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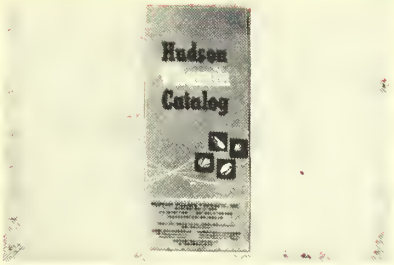

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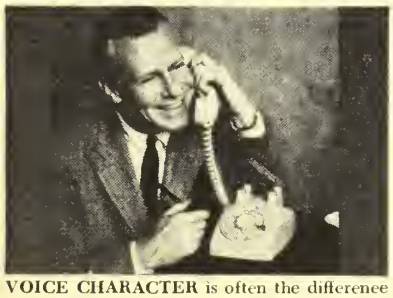

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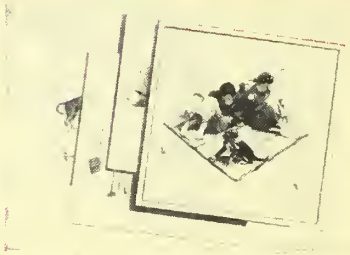

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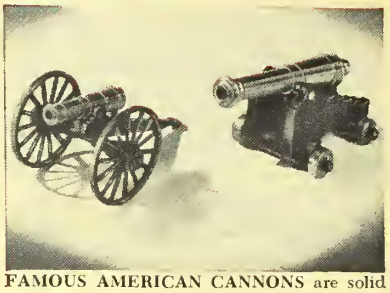

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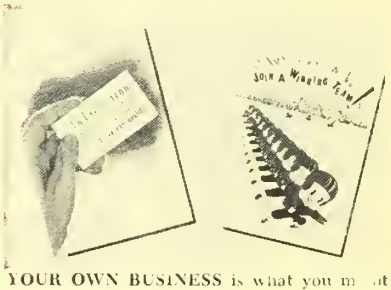

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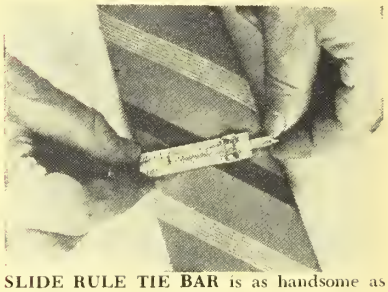

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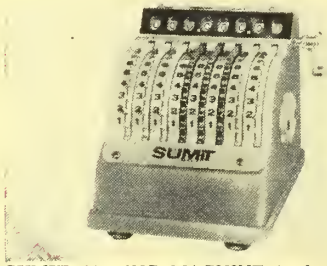

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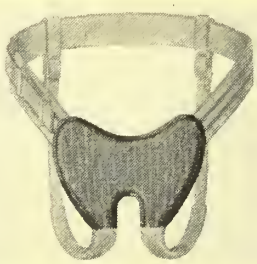

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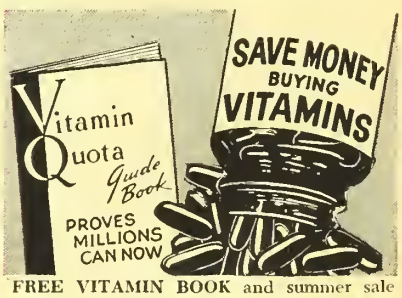

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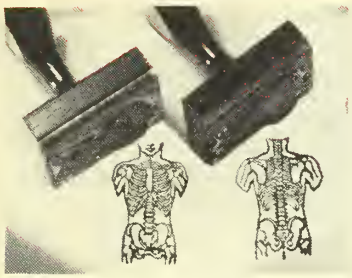

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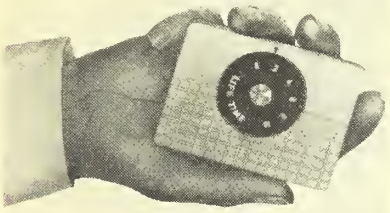

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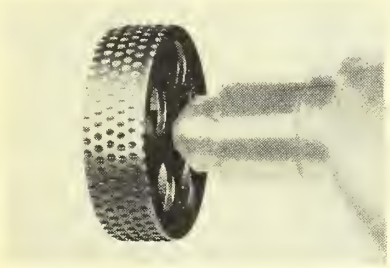

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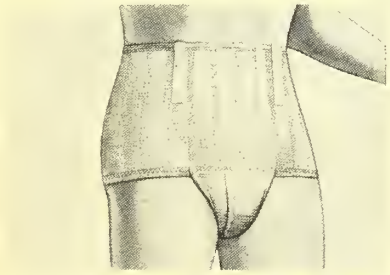

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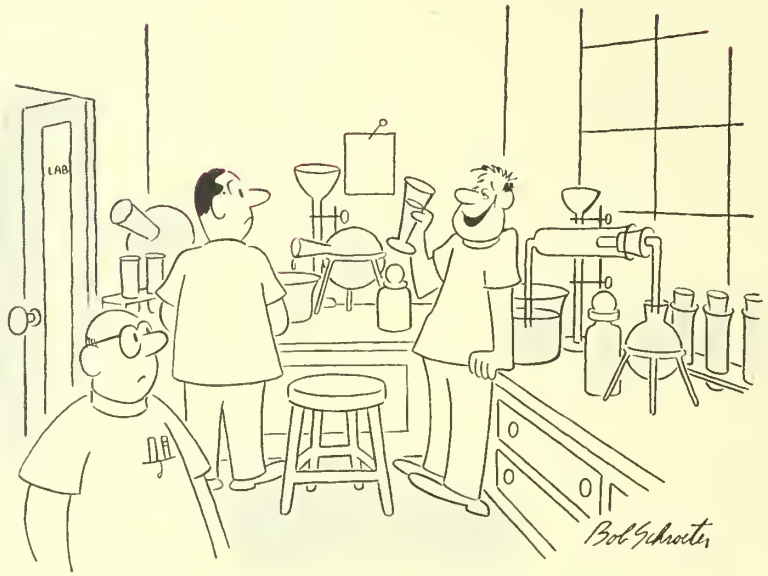

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